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JOURNAL

OF THE

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

STATE *of* VERMONT,

AT THEIR

STATED SESSION,

HELD AT

WESTMINSTER,

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8th, 1789.

THE Representatives of the Freemen of the State of Vermont met this day at the meetinghouse in *Westminster*, agreeable to the Constitution, and the Order of the Legislature.

On motion made to choose a Speaker *pro tem.* the Honorable GIDEON OLIN, Esquire, was chosen.

The following Persons were returned elected as Representatives for the year ensuing, and they severally took the Oaths, and subscribed the Test, required by the Constitution, viz.

Bennington County.

Bennington, Major Jonathan Robinson. *Pownal*, Thomas Jewett, Esquire. *Shaftsbury*, Gideon Olin, Esquire. *Sunderland*, Colonel Gideon Brownson. *Manchester*, Major Gideon Ormsby. *Dorset*, John Shumway, Esquire. *Reupert*, Israel Smith, Esquire. *Stamford*, Mr. Perez Deane.

Windham County.

Hinsdale, Colonel Arad Hunt. *Brattleborough*, Samuel Knights, Esquire. *Dummerston*, Mr. Thomas Clarke. *Putney*, Captain Daniel Jewet. *Westminster*, Lott Hall, Esquire. *Rockingham*, Doctor Samuel Cutler. *Newfane*, Luke Knoulton, Esquire. *Wardsborough*, Asa Wheelock, Esquire. *Guilford*, William Bigelow, Esquire. *Tomlinson*, Charles Perkins, Esquire. *Jamaica*, Silas Heyward, Esquire. *Hallifax*, Benjamin Henry, Esquire. *Wilmington*, Captain Chipman Swift. *Athens*, Mr. Elijah Elmer. *Londonderry*, Captain Edward Aikin. *Townsend*, Joshua Wood, Esquire. *Whitingham*, Mr. Isaac Lyman. *Marlborough*, Colonel Phineas Freeman.

Windsor County.

Springfield, Major Jotham White. *Weathersfield*, Captain Joseph Hubbard. *Windsor*, Briant Brown, Esquire. *Hartland*, Major George Dennison. *Hartford*, Mr. Elisha Marsh. *Norwich*, Elisha Burton, Esquire. *Sharon*, Mr. Anthony Morse. *Pomfret*, Captain Abida Smith. *Woodstock*, Captain Warren Cottle. *Reading*, John Weld, Esquire. *Cavendish*, Asaph Fletcher, Esquire. *Chester*, Daniel Heald, Esquire. *Andover*, Captain Frederick Rogers. *Bridgewater*, John Hawkins, Esquire. *Barnard*, Joseph Foster, Esquire.

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Royalton, Colonel Calvin Parkhurst. *Bethel*, Mr. Nathaniel Throop. *Rochester*, Enoch Emerson, Esquire.

Orange County.

Newbury, Colonel Thomas Johnson. *Fairlee*, General Israel Morey. *Bradford*, Ashur Chamberlin, Esquire. *Thetford*, Beriah Lomis, Esquire. *Williamstown*, Elijah Paine, Esquire. *Barnet*, Mr. James Cross. *Danville*, Jesse Leavenworth, Esquire. *Strafford*, Mr. Alexander Pennock. *Lunenburgh*, Amasa Grout, Esquire. *Randolph*, Israel Converse, Esquire. *Corinth*, Captain Peter Sleeman. *Vershire*, Mr. Andrew Peters. *Brookfield*, Mr. Abel Lyman. *Maidstone*, Mr. David Gaskil. *Tunbridge*, Seth Austin Esquire. *Guildhall*, Mr. Benoni Cutler. *Peacham*, William Chamberlain, Esquire.

Rutland County.

Castleton, Colonel Noah Lee. *Danby*, Lemuel Griffith, Esquire. *Chittenden*, Mr. Nathaniel Ladd. *Fairhaven*, Simeon Smith, Esquire. *Benson*, Asahel Smith, Esquire. *Middletown*, Mr. Ephraim Carr. *Ira*, Mr. Cephas Carpenter. *Shrewsbury*, Ichabod Robinson, Esquire. *Wallingford*, Abraham Jackson, Esquire. *Clarendon*, Elihu Smith, Esquire. *Pittsford*, Mr. Noah Hopkins. *Tinmouth*, Ebenezer Marvin, Esquire. *Wells*, Mr. Samuel Lathrop. *Pawlet*, Lemuel Chipman, Esquire. *Rutland*, Samuel Williams, Esquire. *Orwell*, Ebenezer Wilson, Esquire. *Poultney*, Colonel James Brookins. *Sudbury*, Mr. John Hall.

Addison County.

Whiting, Mr. Ezra Allen. *Leicester*, Colonel Thomas Sawyer. *Weybridge*, Captain Abel Wright, *Newhaven*, Mr. Phinehas Brown. *Vergennes*, Samuel Chipman Esquire. *Salisbury*, Mr. Stephen Hard. *Panton*, Peter Ferris, Esquire. *Addison*, Zadock Everest, Esquire. *Cornwall*, Samuel Benton, Esquire. *Ferrisburgh*, Abel Thompson, Esquire. *Middlebury*, Gamaliel Painter, Esquire. *Monkton*, Samuel Barnum, Esquire.

Chittenden County.

Charlotte, John McNeal, Esquire. *Shelburn*, William C. Harrington, Esquire. *Colchester*, Ira Allen, Esquire. *Burlington*, Samuel Hitchcock, Esquire. *Cambridge*, Amos Fassett, Esquire. *Johnson*, Noah Smith, Esquire. *St. Albans*, Mr. Silas Hatheway. *Hinesburgh*, Captain Lemuel Bostwick. *Essex*, Joel Woodworth, Esquire. *Jericho*, Doctor Matthew Cole. *Williston*, Colonel Jonathan Spafford. *Fairfax*, Mr. Nathan Spafford. *Georgia*, Daniel Stannard, Esquire. *Milton*, Mr. Amos Mansfield.

The credentials of Mr. Anthony Morse, chosen on the 22nd of September, to represent the town of *Sharon*, were objected to: And on the question being put, Whether the consideration thereof should be postponed?

Resolved, That the consideration thereof be postponed.

Resolved, That a Committee of two members from each county, to join a Committee from the Council, be appointed to receive, count and sort the votes for

for Governor, Lieutenantgovernor, and Councillors, and make report of the persons chosen.

The members appointed—Mr. *Jonathan Robinson*, Mr. *Shumway*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Simeon Smith*, Mr. *Gamaliel Painter*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Hitchcock*, Mr. *Noah Smith*, Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *Knoulton*, Mr. *Burton*, Mr. *Parkhurst*, Mr. *Paine*, and Mr. *Morey*—who were sworn accordingly.

The House adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Resolved, That *Ira Allen*, Esquire, be requested to inform his Excellency and Council, that the House are met, and ready to receive the report of the Committee for counting and sorting the votes for Governor, Lieutenantgovernor, Treasurer and Councillors; and to request their attendance for that purpose.

The Governor and Council having attended agreeable to the request of the House, Mr. *Tichenor*, in behalf of the Committee, read their Report in the words following, viz. "*Your Committee, directed to receive, sort and count the votes of the Freemen of the State, for the different Officers of Government, for the year ensuing*, report,

That no person has a majority of votes for Governor.

That his Honor Joseph Marsh *is duly chosen Lieutenantgovernor.*

The Honorable Samuel Safford, Isaac Tichenor, Jonathan Hunt, Peter Olcott, Thomas Porter, Jacob Bailey, Ebenezer Walbridge, Timothy Brownson, John Strong, John Fassett, *junior*, Thomas Murdock, *and* Samuel Fletcher, *Esquires, are chosen Councillors*;

And Samuel Mattocks, *Esquire, Treasurer.*

When the Highsheriff of Windham county, by proclamation, declared the said Officers duly elected.

The House adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

FRIDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 9th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. *Brookins* from Poultney, produced his credentials—which were read, and not considered regular—but upon the evidence produced,

Resolved, That Mr. *Brookins* be allowed a seat.

Upon a reconsideration of Mr. *Anthony Morse*'s credentials from Sharon,

Resolved, That Mr. *Morse* be allowed a seat.

The House then proceeded to choose a Speaker, Secretary and Clerk, for the ensuing year, and the ballots being taken—the Honorable *Gideon Olin*, Esquire, was declared duly elected Speaker—*Roswell Hopkins*, Esquire, Secretary

tary of State—and *Stephen Jacob*, Esquire, Clerk—who were sworn accordingly.

Resolved, That the Members of this House have leave to sit with their heads covered, except when they address the Speaker.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to return the thanks of this House to the Reverend Mr. *Foster*, for the Sermon he delivered yesterday; and request a copy thereof for the press.——Members chosen—Mr. *Hubbard*, Mr. *Simeon Smith*, and Mr. *Lemuel Chipman*.

Resolved, That Mr. *Ira Allen*, Mr. *Noah Smith*, and Mr. *Marvin*, be a Committee to form rules for the regulation of this House, and make report.

Resolved, That Mr. *Lott Hall* be requested to desire Mr. *Stone* to attend this House as Chaplain, during the present session.

Resolved, That the Council be requested to attend the House, as soon as may be, and proceed with them in choosing a Governor for the ensuing year.

The Council and Assembly having joined in Grand Committee to choose a Governor for the year ensuing,

His Excellency THOMAS CHITTENDEN, Esquire, in the chair,

Roswell Hopkins, Esquire, Clerk.

The ballots being taken, sorted and counted, for a Governor for the year ensuing,

The Honorable MOSES ROBINSON, was elected, and declared Governor for the year ensuing.

Resolved, That the Chairman of this Committee be requested to inform the Honorable *Moses Robinson*, Esquire, of his being elected Governor of this State for the year ensuing; and to desire his attendance to the business of his appointment.

Resolved, That Captain *David Robinson* be the Messenger from his Excellency Governor *Chittenden*, to the Honorable *Moses Robinson*, Esquire.

The Committee then dissolved.

Attest,

Roswell Hopkins, *Clerk*.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to prepare an address of thanks to the late Governor, for his past services.——Members chosen—Mr. *Hitchcock*, Mr. *Marvin*, Mr. *Noah Smith*, Mr. *Ira Allen* and Mr. *Paine*.

Resolved, That a Committee of one Member from each county, to join a Committee from the Council, be appointed, to arrange the business necessary to be attended to this session.——Members chosen—Mr. *Jonathan Robinson*, Mr. *Lemuel Chipman*, Mr. *Samuel Chipman*, Mr. *Hitchcock*, Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *Brown*, and Mr. *Morey*

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to enquire into the state of the Treasury, and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Lomis*, Mr. *Paine*, and Mr. *Lott Hall*.

Resolved, That a Committee of one Member from each county be appointed to receive the Grand Lists from the several towns.——Members chosen—Mr. *Brownson*, Mr. *Ladd*, Mr. *Harrington*, Mr. *Henry*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Parkhurst*, and Mr. *Johnson*.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A petition from the Administrators of *William Haight*, deceased, praying to be empowered by law to dispose of a part of the real estate of the said *William Haight*, deceased, being read, and evidence introduced, and heard,

Resolved, That the prayer thereof be granted; and that the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A Bill, entitled *An Act enabling the Administrators of* William Haight, *late of Vergennes deceased, to execute a deed for the premises therein mentioned*—was read and accepted;

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for their revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A petition from the Selectmen of Hinsdale being read, was referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Lemuel Chipman* and Mr. *Wood*.

A petition from the Selectmen of Dorset, praying permission to sell a part of the lands of *William Lammon*, represented insane, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *Hubbard*, Mr. *Lemuel Chipman* and Mr. *Knoulton*.

A petition from *Gershom Owis*, of Hinsdale, was read; and,

Ordered, To be dismissed.

A petition from the town of Harwich, praying relief from certain taxes therein mentioned, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts, and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Weld*, Mr. *Lathrop* and Mr. *Bigelow*.

A petition from *Paul Brigham*, Esquire, Sheriff of Windsor county, showing,—that on an Extent he received certain public securities, which were not returned into the Treasury within the term prescribed by law for them to be received by the Treasurer, was read—and after long debate,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to prepare a Bill, which shall protract the time for receiving the public securities into the Treasury. ——Members chosen—Mr. *Chipman*, Mr. *Jonathan Robinson* and Mr. *Paine*.

The Committee appointed to draft an address of thanks to the late Governor for his past services, reported an address—which being read,

Ordered, That the same be recommitted.

Rules for the regulation of this Assembly being reported by the Committee appointed for that purpose, were read and agreed to; and are as follows:

1. That every Member and Spectator be subject to the Rules of the House.

2. That the doors of the House be open to all Spectators, who behave themselves orderly, except when the interest of the State requires the same to be shut.

3. That the Officers of the House attend punctually at the times of adjournment, on penalty of being reduced to a private station.

4. That no Member, being absent at rollcall, take his seat without leave of the House.

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5. Any Member who is abſent after rollcall more than fifteen minutes at one time, ſhall be ſubject to like penalty; and if ſuch Member continue abſent for one day or more, be liable to be expelled the Houſe.

6. That no Member ſpeak in the Houſe without leave of the Speaker—and that no perſon ſpeak in the Houſe, except Members of the Council, without obtaining leave of the Speaker by a Member of the Houſe.

7. That no Member ſpeak more than twice on one ſubject without leave of the Houſe.

8. That no Member make any nomination, until ſuch nomination be called for by the Speaker; and that the Speaker put every motion to vote, that is ſeconded, unleſs withdrawn or objected to.

9. That no Member who is in the minority in any vote or reſolution determined, ſhall move for reconſideration thereof.

10. That no Member ſhall call for the yeas and nays on any vote or reſolution, after the ſame has been declared a vote, by the Speaker.

11. That when the yeas and nays on any vote or reſolution, be called for by the Speaker, every Member preſent ſhall vote, or excuſe himſelf to the Houſe.

12. That whenever his Excellency the Governor, or any Member of the Council, ſhall appear in the door of the Houſe, ſuch appearance ſhall be announced by ſome Officer of the Houſe; and that all buſineſs ſhall ceaſe during their ſtay in the Houſe, excepting ſuch buſineſs as they may bring before the Houſe.

13. That the Members and Officers of the Houſe have leave to have their heads covered, except in the preſence of the Governor or Council, or when they addreſs the Speaker.

14. That no Act or Law paſs the Houſe of Aſſembly within twenty four hours from the firſt reading.

Reſolved, That the foreging Report be accepted, and the ſaid Rules be the Rules for the regulation of the Houſe, for the enſuing year.

A memorial of the town of Braintree, praying for a tax of twopence on each acre of land in ſaid Braintree, (public rights excepted) for making roads and bridges in ſaid town, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members choſen—Mr. *Paine*, Mr. *Noah Smith* and Mr. *Lomis*.

A petition from the town of Leiceſter, praying an abatement upon a twofold aſſeſſment on lands, &c. was read, and diſmiſſed.

A petition from the Selectmen of Maidſtone, praying to be relieved from paſt taxes, &c. was read, and referred to a Committee of three to ſtate facts, and make report.——Members choſen—Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *Knoulton* and Mr. *Iſrael Smith*.

The Houſe adjourned till tomorrow morning 9 o'clock. SATUR-

SATURDAY, 9 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 10th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee appointed to draft an address of thanks to the late Governor for his past services, made report; which was read, and,

Ordered, That the same lie on the table.

A petition from *Jesse Leavenworth*, praying that *Aaron Robinson* may be appointed, instead of the Petitioner, to superintend the expenditure of a tax on the lands in Deweysburgh, being read,

Ordered, That the same lie on the table.

A petition from the proprietors of Ludlow, praying a tax of one penny per acre, on all the lands in said Ludlow, (public rights excepted) for the purpose of making roads, &c. which being read,

Ordered, That a Committee, consisting of one Member from each county, be appointed, to receive this, and other petitions of a similar nature, and report thereon.——Members chosen—Mr. *Jewett*, Mr. *Carr*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Ira Allen*, Mr. *Wood*, Mr. *Heald* and Mr. *Johnson*.

The Committee, to whom was referred the petition of the Selectmen of Dorset, report,

That the prayer thereof ought to be granted;

Which being read, and accepted, thereupon,

Ordered, That the Petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

The Committee, to whom was referred the petition of the Selectmen of Braintree, report,

That the prayer thereof ought to be granted;

Which being read, and accepted,

Ordered, That the Petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A petition from the Selectmen of Orwell, praying for a tax of two pence per acre, on all the lands in Orwell, (public rights excepted) for the purpose of making roads, &c. was read, and referred to the Committee appointed to receive and report on petitions of that kind.

A petition from the town of Panton, praying for a tax of two pence on each acre of land in said town, (public rights excepted) for the purpose of building a bridge over deadriver, was read, and referred to the Committee appointed to receive and report on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from the inhabitants of the town of Pocock, praying that the name of said town may be altered, and the town called in future Bristol, was read; and the prayer thereof granted. Thereupon,

Ordered, That the Petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A petition from the inhabitants of Brumley, praying for a grant of said town to them and others, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to join a Committee from the Council, to state facts, and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Elihu Smith*, Mr. *Israel Smith* and Mr. *Simeon Smith*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act granting a tax on Corinth*, was read, and,

Ordered, To lie on the table for a second reading.

A petition of *Daniel Ide*, was read, and withdrawn.

A petition from *Joshua Cousins*, stating the loss of a certain deed, therein described, and praying an Act of the Legislature to make good his title, which was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts, and make report. ——Members chosen—Mr. *Noah Smith*, Mr. *Brownson* and Mr. *Lomis*.

Resolved, That Thursday, the 26th day of November next, be observed as a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, throughout this State; and that his Excellency the Governor, be requested to issue his proclamation accordingly.

Resolved, That a Committee of five, to join a Committee from the Council, be appointed, to draft an address to the President of the United States.—— Members chosen—Mr. *Hitchcock*, Mr. *Leavenworth*, Mr. *Jonathan Robinson*, Mr. *Israel Smith* and Mr. *Lemuel Chipman*.

A petition from *Israel Richardson*, and others, the Committee for building a bridge over Waterqueeche river, in Woodstock, praying a tax to complete said bridge, which was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *Parkhurst*, Mr. *Denison* and Mr. *Burton*.

Resolved, That his Honor the Lieutenantgovernor, and the Council, are requested to join this House in Grand Committee, to agree on the mode of appointing county Officers.

Mr. *Shumway*, on the part of Mr. *Joshua Cousins*, moved for leave to withdraw Mr. *Cousins*' petition.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cousins* have leave.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to draft a Bill, directing the manner in which monies shall be drawn out of the Treasury.——Members chosen—Mr. *Noah Smith*, Mr. *Marvin* and Mr. *Knoulton*.

A petition from *Stephen Hard*, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts and make report.——Members chosen.—Mr. *Lomis*, Mr. *Brown* and Mr. *Knights*.

A petition from sundry inhabitants settled under the proprietors of Leicester, setting forth, *That by the jarring of townlines, they are taxed for the same property in that town, and in the town of Salisbury*, and, *praying relief in the premises*, was read, and,

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Resolved, That this House join in Grand Committee, with the Governor and Council at this time, for the purpose of devising a mode for appointing county officers.

In Grand Committee of the Council and Assembly to devise a mode for appointing county officers,

His Honor Lieutenantgovernor MARSH in the chair,

Roswell Hopkins, Clerk.

Resolved, That the members of the several counties make their nomination of county officers, and report to this Committee on Wednesday next, at the opening of the House in the forenoon—And also, that that time be assigned to elect Judges of the Supreme Court.

Adjourned until Wednesday next at 9 o'clock A. M.

Attest,

Roswell Hopkins, *Clerk*.

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The House then proceeded to business.

The Committee, to whom was referred the petition from the inhabitants of Harwich, report,

That the prayer thereof be granted;

Which being read,

Ordered, That the same be recommitted.

The House renewed the consideration of the petition from sundry inhabitants settled under the proprietors of Leicester, and after long debate,

Resolved, That the consideration thereof be referred to a Committee of three, to state facts, and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Marvin*, Mr. *Morey* and Mr. *Samuel Chipman*.

The House then adjourned to Monday next, at 10 o'clock A. M.

MONDAY, 10 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 12th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

The credentials of Mr. *Stannard* from Georgia, in the county of Chittenden, were read, and he having taken the Oath, and assented to the religious Test, required by the Constitution, was admitted to a seat.

Resolved, That the Honorable Mr. *Tichenor*, Auditor of accounts, be requested to attend this House, and make report.

A petition from *Phinehas Freeman*, Esquire, setting forth,

That the town of Marlborough was overcharged in their Grand List for the year 1788, and *praying an abatement of part of the tax on said List*, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts, and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Hunt*, Mr. *Ormsby* and Mr. *Morse*.

The Committee, appointed to take under consideration the petition from the Selectmen of Hinsdale, report,

That the prayer thereof ought not to be granted—and that the petition be dismissed; thereupon,

Ordered, That the petition be dismissed.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act granting a tax of two pence on each acre of land in Corinth, (public rights excepted)*—was read a second time, and accepted.

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A petition from the inhabitants of the town of Killington, praying a tax of one penny on each acre of land in Killington, aforesaid, (public rights excepted) to make and repair roads, &c. was read, and referred to the Committee appointed to receive and report on petitions of this kind.

On motion of Mr. *Perkins*,

Ordered, That he have leave of absence till Wednesday next.

Two petitions, one from Georgia, and one from Philadelphia, praying for a tax of one penny per acre, on all the lands in the aforesaid towns, (public rights excepted) for making and repairing roads, &c. were read, and referred to the Committee appointed to receive and report on petitions of this kind.

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The report of a Committee upon ſundry petitions for the eſtabliſhment of townlines, which were referred from the laſt Seſſions of the Aſſembly—in which report, the Committee beg leave to recommend the propriety of an Act of the Legiſlature, eſtabliſhing the firſt known boundary lines, which being read, and largely debated—was not accepted.

Reſolved, That the above petitions be recommitted to a Committee of one Member from each county, to join a Committee from the Council.——Members choſen—Mr. *Iſrael Smith*, Mr. *Marvin*, Mr. *Painter*, Mr. *Hitchcock*, Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *Parkhurſt* and Mr. *Johnſon*.

Upon motion of Mr. *N. Smith*, the above reſolution was reconſidered; and,

Reſolved, That the Governor and Council be requeſted to attend in Grand Committee upon ſaid petitions, at the opening of the Houſe this afternoon.

The Committee of Arrangement reported,

1. That enquiry be made into the ſtate of the Treaſury, and proviſion made for its ſupplies, if neceſſary.

2. That a Committee be appointed to conſider what amendments and alterations are neceſſary in the preſent Statute Laws.

3. That the late Governor and Agents to Congreſs, be called upon to lay before the Houſe, ſuch communications as they may have received relative to our ſituation with reſpect to the National Government.

4. That ſome more effectual means be provided, for the collection and paying into the public Treaſury, the fines and forfeitures that accrue to this State.

5. That ſome mode be adopted for the fixing a place for the erection of a College in this State.

6. That ſome more ample compenſation be provided for the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Signed,

SAMUEL SAFFORD, *for Committee.*

Which report, being read, was accepted.

Agreeable to the requeſt of the Houſe, *Iſaac Tichenor*, Eſquire, Auditor of accounts, made report to the Houſe; from which it appeared, *That upon the Treaſurer's books the Balance due from this State, is fourthouſand fourhundred and fortyſeven pounds ſix ſhillings and three pence.*

The Houſe adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK *P. M.*

The Houſe met purſuant to adjournment.

Reſolved, That the Houſe attend to the report of the Committee of Arrangement.

The firſt article read; and,

Reſolved, That a Committee of one Member from each county, be appointed on that part of the ſaid article relative to the raiſing ſupplies.——Members choſen—Mr. *Jonathan Robinſon*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Samuel Chipman*, Mr. *Hitchcock*, Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *Parkhurſt* and Mr. *Paine*.

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The second article was read, directing that a Committee be appointed to suggest such amendments and alterations, as to them may appear necessary, in the present Statute Laws.

Resolved, That a Committee of one Member from each county, to join a Committee from the Council, be appointed for the above purpose.——Members chosen—Mr. *I. Smith*, Mr. *Marvin*, Mr. *Painter*, Mr. *N. Smith*, Mr. *Freeman*, Mr. *Burton* and Mr. *Morey*.

The third article read; and,

Ordered, That Mr. *Paine* be requested to call on the late Governor and Agents, to advise of the information they have received, relative to our situation with respect to the National Government.

The fourth article, that an effectual mode be adopted, to have fines and forfeitures paid into the Treasury, was read; whereupon,

Resolved, That a Committee of three, to join a Committee from the Council, be appointed to draft a Bill, appointing an Attorneygeneral for the State, for the purposes pointed out in said article.——Members chosen—Mr. *Marvin*, Mr. *Lomis* and Mr. *Hitchcock*.

The fifth article, concerning a College, was read, and passed over.

The sixth article, that some more ample compensation be provided for the Judges of the Supreme Court, was read.

Resolved, That a Committee of one Member from each county, to join a Committee from the Council, be appointed for the above purpose.——Members chosen—Mr. *Jonathan Robinson*, Mr. *Lemuel Chipman*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *I. Allen*, Mr. *Wood*, Mr. *B. Brown* and Mr. *Austin*.

Resolved, That the House at this time join the Governor and Council in Grand Committee, agreeable to the order of the day.

His Honor the Lieutenantgovernor, the Council, and General Assembly, having joined in Grand Committee, for the purpose of taking under consideration a number of petitions, praying for an establishment of townlines, which were referred from the last session,

His Honor the Lieutenantgovernor in the chair,

Roswell Hopkins, Clerk.

A petition from the towns of Chittenden and Philadelphia, praying *That the ancient lines of the towns of Clarendon, Rutland, Pittsford, Brandon, Chittenden and Philadelphia, may be established and confirmed*; and,

A petition from Woodstock, praying *That the ancient line between Woodstock and Pomfret, may be established, &c.* were read.

After some debate, the question was put, *Whether the Committee would recommend to the General Assembly to dismiss the above petitions, and all other petitions of a similar nature, that now lie before the House?* it passed in the affirmative.

The Committee then dissolved.

Attest,

Roswell Hopkins, *Clerk*.

The House then proceeded to examine the report of the Grand Committee, and the same being read, was accepted; thereupon,

Ordered, That the said petitions be dismissed.

A petition from the town of Fairfax, praying for a land tax, was read, and referred to the Committee on similar petitions.

The petition of sundry inhabitants of Brattleborough, stating, *That Justice* Warrener, *of said town, refused to take Nonsuits against one* Wells, *who had no Ally present, &c.* was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *N. Smith*, and Mr. *S. Smith*.

The House adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

TUESDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 13th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

Resolved, That a Committee, consisting of two Members from each county, be appointed to escort the Governor into town.——Members chosen—Mr. *Brownson*, Mr. *Ormsby*, Mr. *Marvin*, Mr. *E. Smith*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Painter*, Mr. *I. Allen*, Mr. *N. Smith*, Mr. *Knoulton*. Mr. *L. Hall*, Mr. *Parkhurst*, Mr. *B. Brown*, Mr. *Paine*, and Mr. *Morey*.

A petition from the inhabitants of the town of Whiting, praying to be annexed to Rutland county—and one from Leicester, to the same purpose, were read, and referred to a Committee of five.——Members chosen—Mr. *Jonathan Robinson*, Mr. *I. Allen*, Mr. *Thompson*, Mr. *Hubbard*, and Mr. *Marvin*.

A petition from the town of Leicester, praying an abatement on certain taxes therein mentioned, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts, and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Hunt*, Mr. *Benton*, and Mr. *Jonathan Spafford*.

A petition from the town of St. Albans, praying for a land tax, was read, and referred to the Committee appointed on such petitions.

A petition from *Samuel Avery*, praying compensation for lands formerly granted him; and enclosing the report of a Committee in the year 1782, relative to this matter, and several other papers; which were read, and referred to a Committee of five, to join a Committee from the Council.——Members chosen—Mr. *I. Allen*, Mr. *Weld*, Mr. *L. Chipman*, Mr. *Hubbard*, and Mr. *Hitchcock*.

A petition from the town of Lunenburgh, praying for a tax of twopence on each acre of land in said town, public rights excepted, for the purpose of making roads, &c. was read, and referred to the Committee appointed to report on such petitions.

A petition from *Amasa Grout*, in behalf of the inhabitants of Lunenburgh, praying an abatement on certain taxes therein mentioned, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *L. Chipman*, Mr. *Austin*, and Mr. *Lomis*.

A petition from Hydespark, praying for a land tax on the lands in said town, public rights excepted, for making roads, &c. was read, and referred to the Committee appointed to report on such petitions.

A petition from St. George, praying for a land tax on the lands in said town, public rights excepted, for making roads, &c. was read, and referred to the Committee on similar petitions.

A petition from *John Scott*, of Newbury, entered on file the 26th of October, 1787.

1787, praying encouragement to home manufactures, was read, and referred to a Committee of one Member from each county to join a Committee from the Council.——Members chosen—Mr. *Deane*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Painter*, Mr. *Woodworth*, Mr. *Wood*, Mr. *Burton*, and Mr. *Leavenworth*.

A petition from *Abraham Downer*, praying for a lottery to enable him to erect a Brewery and Malthouse, and after considering the want of ability in the petitioner to carry his plan into effect, it was

Ordered, That the petition be dismissed.

Mr. *Chipman Swift* moved for leave to bring in a Bill, enabling the Executors of the late Reverend *Winslow Packard* deceased, to convey to the town of Wilmington one hundred and fifty acres of the ministerial right in said town, to the town of Wilmington, agreeable to the report of a Committee made and accepted at a session of the General Assembly of this State, in June 1785; thereupon,

Ordered, That he have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A petition from the inhabitants of Pownal, praying that they may be permitted to form a company of Cavalry in said town, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Brownson*, Mr. *Jonathan Robinson* and Mr. *Austin*.

Resolved, That no private petitions be received after Friday night next.

The House adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

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2 o'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for lengthening the time now prescribed by law for paying Public Securities into the Treasury*—was read, and laid on the table till half past 2 o'clock tomorrow, being twentyfour hours, for a second reading.

Resolved, That the above order be, and the same is hereby reconsidered.

Ordered, That the abovementioned Bill be recommitted to the former Committee.

A petition from *Jonathan Child*, Esquire, praying for an Act of Insolvency, was read, and thereupon,

Ordered, That whereas *Jonathan Child*, of Williston, in the county of Chittenden, has preferred his petition to the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, praying for an Act of Insolvency, (he delivering up *bona fide* all his estate both real and personal, for the use of his creditors) and that he may be discharged from his debts: Therefore,

Resolved, That the said petition be laid over to the next session of the Legislature, and that the said *Jonathan Child* be in the mean time free from all arrests at the suit or suits of his creditors, for debts already contracted; and that he at his own expense, publish in both the newspapers in this State, a Scire Facias for his creditors to appear before the Legislature, at their session in October, 1790, to show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. Said Scire Facias to be published, at least, six weeks successively—and the last time of publication to be, at least, two months previous to the meeting of the Legislature in October next.

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The Committee, to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of the town of Leicester, praying an abatement on certain taxes therein mentioned,

Report,

That the evidence on said petition is not conclusive—and therefore, *that the collection of the sum mentioned as overcharged, be postponed, and the petition referred to the next session of Assembly*—

Which report was read, and accepted.

A petition from the Selectmen of the town of Orwell, praying an abatement of certain taxes therein mentioned, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Carpenter* and Mr. *L. Chipman*.

A petition from the town of Guildhall, praying to be relieved from a doomage made last year, was read, and,

Ordered, To be dismissed.

The Committee, to whom was referred the petition of *Stephen Hard*, Collector of taxes for the town of Salisbury, for the year 1788,

Report,

That the facts stated in said petition are true; and that the prayer thereof ought to be granted; and that the Treasurer be directed to credit the town of Orwell, on the fivepenny State tax for 1788, *the sum of twentyfour shillings and ten pence*—

Which was read and accepted.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act enabling* Abigail Packard, *Administratrix on the estate of* Winslow Packard, *deceased, to convey onehundred and fifty acres of land, in Wilmington, to assist the inhabitants of said Wilmington in the settlement of a future Minister*, was read, and,

Ordered, To lie on the table till 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon; being twentyfour hours.

The House adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 14th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

Agreeable to the order of the day, the Grand Committee, consisting of the Council and Assembly, met according to their adjournment.

His Honor the Lieutenantgovernor, requested to resign his seat as Chairman of the Committee—which resignation was accepted; and

His Excellency the GOVERNOR appointed to the Chair.

The Members for *Bennington County*, made the following nomination of Officers for said county; who were elected to the office annexed to their names respectively, viz.

The Honorable SAMUEL SAFFORD, Esq. Chief Judge of the County Court.

Gideon Olin and *Gideon Brownson*, Esquires, Side Judges of said Court.

David Robinson, Esquire, Sheriff.

Nathaniel Brush, Esquire, Judge of Probate for the District of Bennington.

Martin Powell, Esquire, Judge of Probate for the District of Manchester.

Justices

Juſtices *of the* Peace *for ſaid* County.

Bennington, Nathaniel Brush. *Stamford*, Perez Deane. *Pownal*, Thomas Jewett, Eli Noble, and Amos Potter. *Shaftsbury*, Jonas Galusha, and Amos Huntington. *Arlington*, Nathan Canfield and Luther Stone. *Sandgate*, Reuben Thomas and Abner Hurd. *Sunderland*, Capt. Samuel Bartlett. *Manchester*, Martin Powel, Enoch Woodbridge, and Timothy Pearl. *Dorset*, John Shumway and Benjamin Baldwin. *Reupert*, Israel Smith and David Sheldon.

The Members of *Rutland County*, made the following nomination of Officers for ſaid county, who were elected to the offices annexed to their names reſpectively, viz.

The Honorable EBENEZER MARVIN, Eſquire, Chief Judge of the County Court.

Lemuel Chipman and *Simeon Smith*, Eſquires, Side Judges.

Eliſha Clark, Eſquire, Judge of Probate for Rutland Diſtrict.

William Ward, Eſquire, Judge of Probate for Fairhaven Diſtrict.

Jonathan Bell, Eſquire, Sheriff of ſaid county.

Juſtices *of the* Peace *for ſaid* County.

Pawlet, Gideon Adams. *Danby*, Daniel Sherman. *Harwich*, John Stafford. *Wallingford*, Abraham Jackſon and Joſeph Randall. *Tinmouth*, Darius Chipman, Samuel Mattocks, and Obadiah Noble. *Middletown*, Edmund Bigelow and Ephraim Carr. *Poultney*, Thomas Aſhley and William Ward. *Ira*, George Sherman, junr. *Clarendon*, Elihu Smith, Abel Cooper, Ezra Crary, and Increaſe Moſely. *Shrewſbury*, Ichabod Robinſon. *Rutland*, Samuel Williams and Benjamin Whipple. *Caſtleton*, Brewſter Higley and Eli Cogſwell. *Fairhaven*, Silas Safford. *Benſon*, Aſahel Smith. *Hubbardton*, John Sillick. *Pittsford*, James Ewing and Ebenezer Drury. *Brandon*, Hiram Horton. *Chittenden*, Nathaniel Ladd. *Sudbury*, John Hall. *Orwell*, Ebenezer Wilſon and William Smith. *Wells*, Thomas Lathrop and Samuel Lathrop.

The Members for *Addiſon County*, made the following nomination of Officers for ſaid county; who were elected to the offices annexed to their names reſpectively, viz.

The Honorable JOHN STRONG, Eſquire, Chief Judge of the County Court.

Gamaliel Painter and *Abel Thompſon*, Eſquires, Side Judges.

The Honorable *John Strong*, Eſquire, Judge of Probate for Addiſon Diſtrict.

John Chipman, Eſquire, Sheriff of ſaid county.

Juſtices *of the* Peace *for ſaid County.*

Sherburne, Ebenezer Turnell. *Bridport*, Marſhal Smith. *Addiſon*, Zadock Everest. *Panton*, Peter Ferris. *Ferriſburgh*, Abel Thompſon and Roſwell Hopkins. *Monkton*, Samuel Barnum. *Vergennes*, William Bruſh. *New-haven*, Elijah Foot and Phinehas Brown. *Saliſbury*, Eleazer Claghorn. *Leiceſter*,

Thomas Sawyer. *Whiting*, Ezra Allen. *Cornwall*, William Slade and Samuel Benton. *Weybridge*, Abel Wright. *Kingston*, Daniel King.

The Members for the county of Chittenden made their nomination, and the following persons were elected to the several offices annexed to their names, viz.

The Honorable JOHN FASSETT, Esquire, Chief Judge of the County Court.

John White and *John M'Neil*, Esquires, Side Judges of said Court.

John M'Neil, Esquire, Judge of Probate for Chittenden district.

Noah Chittenden, Esquire, Sheriff.

Justices *of the* Peace *for said County.*

Charlotte, Daniel Horsford and Asahel Strong. *Shelburn*, Timothy Hollabird and Sturges Moorhouse. *Burlington*, Samuel Lane and John Knickerbacor. *Colchester*, John Stevens. *Milton*, Aaron Matthews. *Georgia*, Daniel Stannard. *St. Albans*, Silas Hatheway. *Hinesburgh*, Lemuel Bostwick and Elisha Barber. *Williston*, Jonathan Spafford. *Essex*, Joel Woodworth and Timothy Bliss. *Jericho*, Jonathan Castle and Martin Chittenden. *Cambridge*, Amos Fassett. *Fairfax*, Thomas Russell. *Twoheroes*, Stephen Pearl and Alexander Gordon. *Middlesex*, Seth Putnam. *Fairfield*, Hubbel Barlow.

The Members for Windham county made their nomination for county Officers, and the following persons were elected to the offices annexed to their names, viz.

The Honorable LUKE KNOULTON, Esquire, Chief Judge of the County Court.

John Bridgeman and *Benjamin Burt*, Esquires, Side Judges.

Samuel Fletcher, Esquire, Sheriff.

John Bridgeman, Esquire, Judge of Probate for the district of Marlborough.

Noah Sabin, Esquire, Probate Judge for the district of Westminster.

Justices *of the* Peace *for said County.*

Hinsdale, Arad Hunt. *Halifax*, Benjamin Henry and Hubbel Wells. *Whitingham*, James Roberts. *Wilmington*, Jesse Cook. *Guilford*, William Bigelow. *Marlborough*, Benjamin Old and Phinehas Freeman. *Brattleborough*, Samuel Knights. *Fulham*, Alexander Kathan and Jaion Duncan. *Wardsboro'*, Asa Wheelock. *Townsend*, Joshua Wood and Joseph Tyler. *Putney*, Noah Sabin, jun^r. and James Hale. *Westminster*, Lott Hall, John Session, John Tuttle, and John Norton. *Londonderry*, Edward Aiken. *Thomlinson*, Charles Perkins and Henry Bond. *Rockingham*, John Lovell, Jehiel Webb, and Elias Olcott. *Jamaica*, Silas Howard. *Athens*, James Shafter.

The Members for the county of Windsor made their nomination of Officers for said county; and the following persons were elected to the offices annexed to their names, viz.

The Honorable JOSEPH MARSH, Esquire, Chief Judge of the County Court.

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Elias Weld and *Elijah Robinson*, Esquires, Side Judges.
Paul Brigham, Esquire, Sheriff.
Elijah Robinson, Esquire, Judge of Probate for the District of Windsor.
John Throop, Esquire, Judge of Probate for the District of Hartford.

Justices *of the* Peace *for said* County.

Springfield, Simon Stevens and Samuel Cobb. *Weathersfield*, Waters Chilson and Joseph Hubbard. *Windsor*, Thomas Cooper, Stephen Jacob, and Briant Brown. *Hartland*, Elias Weld and Oliver Gallup. *Hartford*, Joshua Hazen. *Norwich*, Elisha Burton. *Sharon*, Joel Marsh. *Pomfret*, John W. Dana and John Throop. *Woodstock*, Benjamin Emmons and Jabez Cottle. *Reading*, John Weld. *Cavendish*, Asaph Fletcher and Salmon Dutton. *Chester*, Daniel Heald and Timothy Olcott. *Andover*, Moses Warner. *Ludlow*, Jesse Fletcher. *Bridgwater*, John Hawkins. *Barnard*, Joseph Foster and Beriah Green. *Royalton*, Abel Stevens and Comfort Sever. *Bethel*, Michael Flynn and Nathaniel Throop. *Stockbridge*, Enoch Emmerson.

The Members of the county of Orange made their nomination for county Officers; and the following persons were elected to the offices annexed to their names respectively, viz.

The Honorable JACOB BAYLEY, Esquire, Chief Judge of the County Court.
Israel Smith and *Alexander Harvey*, Esquires, Side Judges.
Fry Bayley, Esquire, Sheriff.
Timothy Bartholomew, Esquire, Judge of Probate for the District of Thetford.
Jacob Kent, Esquire, Judge of Probate for the District of Newbury.
Elijah Paine, Esquire, Judge of Probate for the District of Randolph.
The Committee then adjourned until 2 o'Clock P. M.

Attest,

Roswell Hopkins, *Clerk.*

The House then adjourned to 2 o'Clock P. M.

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2 o'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act for calling in the public securities of this State*, was read, and, after some debate, was amended and passed the House.

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for their revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

The Grand Committee met pursuant to adjournment, and proceeded to elect Judges of the Supreme Court.

The Ballots being taken for Chief Judge of said Court—

The Honorable NATHANIEL CHIPMAN, Esquire, was elected.

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The Ballots being taken for Side Judges of said Court—
The Honorable *Noah Smith* and *Samuel Knights*, Esquires were elected.

Justices *of the* Peace *for the County of* Orange.

Thetford, Beriah Lomis and Timothy Bartholomew. *Strafford*, Alexander Pennock. *Tunbridge*, Alexander Stedman and Seth Austin. *Randolph*, Israel Converse and James Steel. *Braintree*, Joseph French. *Fairlee*, Israel Morey and Jedediah P. Buckingham. *Vershire*, William Maltbie and Simeon Morey. *Chelsea*, Samuel Huntington. *Brookfield*, Timothy Cowles and Moses Hubbard. *Corinth*, Samuel Hazleton. *Willamstown*, Cornelius Lynde and Elijah Paine. *Newbury*, Jacob Kent and Thomas Johnson. *Ryegate*, Josiah Page. *Barnet*, Walter Brock. *Peacham*, William Chamberlin. *Danville*, Abraham Morrill. *St. Johnsbury*, Jonathan Arnold. *Lunenburgh*, Amasa Grout. *Guildhall*, Benoni Cutler. *Maidstone*, David Gaskill. *Lemington*, Eben W. Judd. *Bradford*, Ashur Chamberlin.

The Committee then dissolved.

Attest,

Roswell Hopkins, *Clerk*.

Resolved, That at the opening of the House tomorrow morning, the House attend to the fifth article in the arrangement of business, viz. To take some measures to fix on a place for a College in this State, and to request his Excellency and the Council to join in Grand Committee for that purpose.

A petition from the Administrators of *Stephen Lawrence*, deceased, praying for permission to bring in a Bill to enable them to dispose of certain lands therein mentioned, was read and referred to a Committee of five, to state facts and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *I. Smith*, Mr. *N. Smith*, Mr. *B. Brown*, Mr. *Lott Hall* and Mr. *Knights*.

A petition from *Jesse Leavenworth*, praying that *Aaron Robinson* may be appointed in his stead, to appropriate the monies raised by a tax of one penny per acre, on the lands in Hardwick, for cutting the necessary roads in said town, was read, and, thereupon

Resolved, That *Aaron Robinson* be, and he hereby is appointed.

A petition from *Martin Kinsley* and *wife*, praying the House for permission to bring in a Bill to destroy an entail, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Knoulton*, Mr. *Knights* and Mr. *I. Smith*.

His Honor the late Governor came into the House, and communicated such letters and advices as he had received from abroad, touching our situation with the Federal Government of the United States.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for the purpose of enabling the Selectmen of Dorset to sell a part of the estate of* William Lammon, *represented insane*, was read and laid on the table for a second reading tomorrow at 5 o'clock P. M.

A petition from *Benajah Child*, of Pomfret, praying an Act of Insolvency, &c. was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to join a Committee from the Council.——Members chosen—Mr. *Converse*, Mr. *Marvin* and Mr. *Parkhurst*.

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A petition from *Joseph Hubbard*, of Weathersfield, praying for a lottery to build a Malthouse and erect a Brewery, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *White*, Mr. *L. Chipman* and Mr. *Burton*.

A petition from *Jonathan Gilmore* and *George Moore*, praying a new trial in an action of ejectment, which was brought in Addison county, was read:

And,

Ordered, That the prayer thereof be granted; and leave given to bring in a Bill for that purpose.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act for granting a tax on Corinth*, was returned from Council concurred; and, after being read,

Was passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act for calling in the Public Securities of this State*, was returned from Council concurred; and, after being read,

Was passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act enabling the administrators of* William Haight, *deceased, to convey certain lands therein described*, was returned from Council concurred; and, after being read,

Was passed into a law of this State.

The Committee on the petition of Colonel *Freeman*, in behalf of the town of Marlborough,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be so far granted, that the Treasurer be directed to credit the town of Marlborough eight pounds four shillings.

Which report was read, and accepted: whereupon,

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he hereby is directed to credit the town of Marlborough, on the tax for the year 1788, the sum of eight pounds four shillings.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act enabling* Abigail Packard *administratrix of* Winslow Packard, *deceased, and late of Wilmington, to convey one hundred and fifty acres of land, being part of the ministerial right in said Wilmington, to the Selectmen of said town*, was read a second time, and not accepted: therefore,

Ordered, That the same be dismissed.

The Committee on the petition from sundry inhabitants of this State, settled under the proprietors of the town of Leicester,

Report,

That the prayer thereof ought to be granted, with permission to bring in a Bill for the purpose.

Which report was read, and accepted: whereupon,

Ordered, That the Petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A petition from the Selectmen of Rutland, setting forth, That one *John Johnson*, a transient person, had fallen sick in said town, and consequently put the town to such cost as he could not defray; and said *Johnson* having no residence—the Petitioners therefore pray the State to pay the expense.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed, and they are hereby empowered during the present session, to examine and pass accounts against the

State, and draw orders on the Treasurer for balances due; who is hereby directed to pay the same.——Members chosen—Mr. *N. Smith*, Mr. *E. Paine*, and Mr. *Freeman*.

The House adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

THURSDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 15th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

Resolved, That the House join his Excellency and the Council in Grand Committee, agreeable to the order of the day, on the fifth article in the arrangement.

His Excellency the Governor, the Council and the General Assembly having joined in Grand Committee to take under consideration the fifth article in the arrangement of business,

His Excellency the Governor in the chair,

Roswell Hopkins, Clerk.

Colonel *Ira Allen* presented a memorial, with a number of subscriptions annexed, amounting to five thousand six hundred and forty three pounds twelve shillings, praying that a College may be erected in Burlington, in the county of Chittenden; said subscriptions to be laid out for the benefit of said College, which were read.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Legislature to appoint a Committee to draft a plan for a constitution and government of a College, to be established in this State, and make report as soon as may be.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Legislature to take measures for fixing on the place for erecting a College, during the present session.

The Committee then dissolved.

Attest,

Roswell Hopkins, *Clerk*.

The House then proceeded to business; and took under consideration the first article in the report of the Grand Committee.

Resolved, That the House accept the said article.

The second article was then read.

Resolved, That the House accept said article.

The House then adjourned to 2 o'Clock P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and took under consideration the business of drafting a plan for a constitution and government of a College.

Resolved, To proceed to the consideration of the report of the Grand Committee.

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Resolved, To take under consideration the first article recommended by the Grand Committee.

Resolved, To appoint a Committee, consisting of two Members from each county, to nominate a Committee for drafting a Constitution for a College.——Members chosen—Mr. *I. Smith*, Mr. Speaker, Mr. *Marvin*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Everist*, Mr. *S. Chipman*, Mr. *Hitchcock*, Mr. *Allen*, Mr. *Knoulton*, Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *Burton*, Mr. *Parkhurst*, Mr. *Paine*, and Mr. *Johnson*.

The House proceeded to take the second article under consideration; and after long debate,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to receive absolute donations and particular subscriptions for a College; and make report to the next session of the Legislature.

Resolved, That the Committee appointed to nominate a Committee for drafting a Constitution for a College, nominate a Committee to receive donations and particular subscriptions for a College.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition from the inhabitants of the town of Pownal, praying for permission to raise a troop of Cavalry,

Report,

That the prayer of said petition ought to be granted, and leave given to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Which report was read, and accepted.

Mr. *Leavenworth*, with leave, brought in a Bill, entitled, *An Act regulating proprietors meetings*—which was read; and,

Ordered, To lie on the table till 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

A petition from the inhabitants of Newhaven-gore, praying for a tax to make roads, &c. was read, and referred to the Committee appointed to report on petitions of this kind.

The Committee appointed on the sixth article in the arrangement of business,

Report,

That the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court have four Dollars per day, while on the circuits; and the Side Judges one Pound per day each, while on the circuits, and the perquisites;

Which report was read; and,

Ordered, To lie on the table.

A petition from sundry persons praying for a lottery, for the purpose of repairing the roads through Rockingham, Chester, Cavendish, Ludlow, and Jackson's Gore, was read and referred to a Committee of three, to join a Committee from the Council.——Members chosen—Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Converse*, and Mr. *Jackson*.

A petition from the proprietors of Westfield, was read, and referred to a Committee of one Member from each county, to join a Committee from the Council.——Members chosen—Mr. *J. Robinson*, Mr. *L. Chipman*, Mr. *Wright*, Mr. *I. Allen*, Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *Fletcher*, and Mr. *Johnson*.

The Committee appointed to nominate a Committee to draft a Constitution for a College,

Report,

That Nathaniel Chipman, Israel Smith, Elijah Paine, Samuel Hitchcock, and Stephen

Stephen Jacob, Esquires, be a Committee, to join a Committee from the Council, for the above purpose.

Which report was read, and accepted.

The Committee appointed to nominate a Committee to receive absolute donations and particular subscriptions for the use of a College,

Report,

That Gideon Olin, Samuel Williams, Gamaliel Painter, Ira Allen, Luke Knoulton, Calvin Parkhurst, and Elijah Paine, Esquires, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Which report was read and accepted.

A petition from the proprietors of Mansfield, was read, and referred to a Committee of five.——Members chosen—Mr. *S. Cutler*, Mr. *Paine*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Hunt*, and Mr. *Lomis*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hitchcock* desire the Agents to Congress to attend this House tomorrow morning, and report their doings.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act enabling the Selectmen of Dorset, to sell the estate of* William Lammon, *of said Dorset, represented* insane, was read and accepted; and,

Ordered, To be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A petition from the town of Bradford, praying for a land tax to make and repair roads, &c. was read, and referred to the Committee appointed on similar petitions.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition from Hardwick,

Report,

That the prayer of the petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted; therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

The House adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

FRIDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 16th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment,

When the late Agents to Congress verbally reported their proceedings in the business of their mission; and showed the present situation of this State as it relates to an admission into the Federal Government:—and also delivered several papers relative to the above business.

The House then proceeded to the choice of a Clerk, vice *Stephen Jacob*, Esquire, resigned; and the ballots being taken,

Lewis R. Morris was declared duly elected—and was sworn accordingly.

A petition from Col. *Joseph Fay*, praying (for certain reasons therein mentioned) to pay one half of the grantingfees now due upon the township of Huntsburgh, in hardmoneyorders, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts, and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Marvin*, Mr. *Lomis*, and Mr. *Knoulton*.

Ordered, That the Committee on the petition from Mansfield, join a Committee from the Council.

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A petition from the Honorable *Ebenezer Marvin*, Esquire, praying a grant of lands therein described, was read, and referred to the Committee on the petition from Westfield.

The report of the Committee on the sixth article in the arrangement of business, was again taken under consideration; and after being read, was

Ordered, To lie on the table till tomorrow morning.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *Benajah Child*,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which was read; therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

On motion of Mr. *Jonathan Robinson*,

Ordered, That this afternoon be assigned for appointing Commissioners to treat with the State of Newyork.

A petition from *Elias Buel*, praying for a grant of certain lands therein described, was read, and referred to the Committee on the petition from Westfield.

The Committee on the petition from *Stephen* and *Mary Lawrence*,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted; therefore,

Ordered, That the petioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act enabling Stephen and Mary Lawrence, Administrators on the estate of* Stephen Lawrence, *deceased, to convey certain lands therein mentioned*, was read, and,

Ordered, To lie on the table for a second reading.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of *Levi Smith*, and others,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought not to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted; therefore,

Ordered, That the said petition be dismissed.

A petition from Mr. *Isaac Lyman*, in behalf of his constituents, praying, that a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in Whitingham, was read, and referred to the Committee appointed on similar petitions.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Ludlow,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted; therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

The Committee on the petition of *Joseph Hubbard*, praying for a lottery to build a Malthouse and Brewery,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read, and accepted: therefore,

Ordered, That the Petitioner have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A petition from *John Fassett*, jun. Esquire, in behalf of the town of Cambridge, praying an abatement of taxes, was read, and referred to a Committee of

of three, to ſtate facts and make report.——Members choſen—Mr. *W. Chamberlain*, Mr. *Converſe*, and Mr. *Brookins*.

A petition from *John* and *Amos Faſſett*, in behalf of the town of Fletcher, praying a tax of two pence per acre on the lands in ſaid Fletcher, was read, and referred to the Committee appointed on ſimilar petitions.

The Committee appointed on the petition from the Selectmen of Orwell,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of ſaid petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read, and accepted: therefore,

Ordered, That the Petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A petition from ſeveral of the inhabitants of Wolcott, praying a tax of two pence per acre on the lands in ſaid Wolcott, for the purpoſe of making and repairing roads, &c. was read, and referred to the Committee appointed to report on petitions for a land tax.

A petition from the town of Johnſon, for a land tax, was read, and referred to the Committee appointed to report on petitions for a land tax.

A petition from a number of the inhabitants of Barnet, Peacham, Cabot, &c. praying a tax of two pence per acre on the lands in Marſhfield, was read, and referred to the Committee on ſimilar petitions.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Fairfax, praying a tax of two pence per acre on the lands in ſaid town,

Report,

That it is their opinion the prayer of ſaid petition ſhould be granted.

Which report was read, and accepted: therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

The Committee appointed on the petition from the inhabitants of St. Albans, praying a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in ſaid town,

Report,

That the prayer thereof ought to be grand.

Which report was read, and accepted: therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

On motion of Major *Robinſon*,

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed to return thanks to Colonel *Freeman*, and the officers and ſoldiers under his command, for their military conduct on the day of election.——Members choſen—Mr. *J. Robinſon*, Mr. *Brookins*, and Mr. *Hitchcock*.

A petition from *Lewis R. Morris*, in behalf of *Richard Morris*, praying an abatement on a certain tax therein mentioned, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members choſen—Mr. *E. Smith*, Mr. *Hubbard*, and Mr. *Converſe*.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Mr. *Iſaac Lyman*, of Whitingham, in behalf of his conſtituents,

Report,

That they conceive the prayer of ſaid petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read, and accepted: therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

The Houſe then adjourned to 2 o'Clock P. M.

2 o'CLOCK

2 O'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for laying a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in Ludlow, for making and repairing roads, &c.* was read, and,

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this State be, and he is hereby directed to credit the town of Orwell the sum of ten pounds seventeen shillings and two pence, on the sixpenny tax granted by the Legislature.

The House took under consideration the appointment of Commissioners to treat with the State of Newyork.

On motion of Mr. *Hitchcock*,

Ordered, That his Excellency and the Council be requested to join in Grand Committee on the business of appointing Commissioners to treat with the State of Newyork.

A petition from *Elijah Paine*, Esquire, in behalf of the proprietors of Roxbury, praying for a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in said Roxbury, was read: whereupon,

Ordered, That the prayer of said petition be granted; and the Petitioner have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

The Committee appointed on the petition from St. George,

Report,

That in their opinion the further consideration of the said petition be referred to the next session of the General Assembly.

Which report was read, and accepted: therefore,

Ordered, That the consideration of the said petition be referred to the next session of the General Assembly.

Resolved, That this House join his Excellency and the Council in Grand Committee on the business of appointing Commissioners to treat with the Commissioners appointed by the State of Newyork.

His Excellency the Governor and Council having joined with the General Assembly in Grand Committee, for the above purpose,

His Excellency in the chair,

Roswell Hopkins, Clerk.

An Act, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners with power to declare the consent of the Legislature of this State of Newyork, that a certain territory within the jurisdiction thereof, should be formed or erected into a new State*, passed July 15th, 1789, was read.

The question being put, Whether this Committee would recommend to the Legislature to appoint Commissioners, to treat with the Commissioners of the State of Newyork, agreeable to said Act?

It passed in the affirmative.

Resolved, That a Subcommittee of seven be appointed to draft a Bill appointing Commissioners to treat with the Commissioners on the part of the State of Newyork, pointing out their duty, and defining their powers, and lay the same before this Committee.——Members chosen—Mr. *I Smith*, Mr. *Tichenor*, Mr. *N. Smith*, Mr. *Hitchcock*, Mr. *Paine*, Mr. *Knights*, and Mr. *Olin*.

Resolved,

Resolved, That this Committee recommend to the Legislature to choose seven Commissioners, for the purpose of treating with the Commissioners on the part of Newyork.

The Grand Committee then adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Attest,

Roswell Hopkins, *Clerk*.

The House then proceeded to business.

Mr. *White* moved for leave of absence till Monday noon next.

Ordered, That Mr. *White* have leave.

A petition from *Henry Moore* and *John Taplin*, was read, and referred to a Committee of five, to join a Committee from the Council.——Members chosen —Mr. *Speaker*, Mr. *Shumway*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Lomis*, and Mr. *Williams*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the suspension of all actions at law now depending against* Benajah Child, was read, and,

Ordered, To lie on the table for a second reading.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry persons against Justice *Warrener*,

Report,

That the allegations therein contained, are not supported in such a manner as to require further investigation before this House.

Which report was read, and accepted; therefore,

Ordered, That the said petition be dismissed.

The House adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

SATURDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 17th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. *Amos Mansfield*, chosen to represent the town of Milton, for the present year, appeared in the House—produced his credentials, which were approved of by the House; and he having taken the Oath, and assented to the religious Test prescribed by the Constitution of this State, was admitted to a seat.

The House then proceeded to take under consideration the draft of an Address to his Honor the late Governor; and the *Yeas* and *Nays* being called for by Mr. *Carpenter*, are as follow:—

Yeas.

Messrs. Brownson, Shumway, Deane, Clark, Jewett, Hall, Cutler, Knoulton, Wheelock, Bigelow, Perkins, Hayward, Henry, Swift, Elmer, Aiken, Lyman, Hubbard, B. Brown, Denison, Marsh, Burton, Morse, Cottle, Weld, Foster, Parkhurst, Throop, A. Chamberlin, Lomis, Paine, Leavenworth, Pennock, Grout, Converse, Sleeman, A. Lyman, Gaskill, Austin, B. Cutler, Ladd, S. Smith, A. Smith, Carr, J. Robinson, Jackson, E. Smith, Hopkins, Lathrop, Wilson, Brookins, Hall, E. Allen, Sawyer, Brown, Hard, Ferris, Everist, Benton, Thompson, Painter, Barnum, M'Neil, Harrington, Hitchcock, Fassett, N. Smith Hatheway, Bostwick, Woodworth, J. Spafford, N. Spafford, Mansfield, Ormsby, T. Jewett, Wood

Nays.

Nays.

Messrs. White, A. Smith, Heald, Rogers, Hawkins, Emerson, Johnson, Cross, Peters, Carpenter, Stannard, I. Smith.

So it passed in the Affirmative—Therefore,

Ordered, That the following Address be forwarded to his Honor the late Governor.—

To the Honorable THOMAS CHITTENDEN, *Esquire.*

SIR,

ON your exit from the important office of Governor, which you have so long held by the united suffrages of the people of this State, the Representatives, in General Assembly met, beg leave to address you, and publicly demonstrate the satisfaction they feel in your late administration.—The citizens of *Vermont* must contemplate with pleasure, your early and reiterated endeavors to establish and maintain the existence and welfare of this government—and at the same time feel a grateful sense of the many and good services you have rendered them, as the supporter, guardian, and protector of their civil liberties.

The Representatives of the people of *Vermont*, upon this occasion, request your Honor to accept, for your past services, all that a noble and generous mind can give, or wish to receive, *their gratitude and warmest thanks* :—and it is their earnest wish, that in your advanced age, and retirement from the arduous task of public life, you may enjoy all the blessings of domestic ease.

I am,

May it please your Honor,

(by order, and in behalf of the House)

with the greatest respect,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed)

GIDEON OLIN, *Speaker.*

The Grand Committee met agreeable to adjournment—when

The Subcommittee delivered in at the Table the draft of a Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners for the purposes therein mentioned.*—

Which Bill was read, and the question put, *Whether this Committee accept the said Bill, and recommend to the Legislature to pass the same into a law of this State?*

It passed in the affirmative.

The Committee then dissolved.

Attest,

Roswell Hopkins, *Clerk.*

The House then proceeded to business.

The report of the Grand Committee was read—

Resolved, That the same be accepted.

Mr. *Fletcher* moved for leave of absence till Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fletcher* have leave.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for altering the times of holding the County Courts in the counties of Bennington and Chittenden*, was read; and

Ordered, To lay on the table for a second reading.

Resolved, That this House request Colonel *Freeman*, and the Officers and Soldiers under his command on Thursday the 8th instant, to accept their sincere thanks for their martial appearance, good order, and military performance on that day.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *Stephen Hard*, Collector of taxes for the town of Salisbury,

Report,

That they conceive the facts set forth in said petition well grounded; and that the prayer thereof ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted; therefore,

Resolved, That the Collector for the town of Salisbury, be, and he is hereby directed to credit the following persons the several sums annexed to their names, on the Statetax granted by the Legislature in October 1788, of fivepence on the pound, *viz.*——Job Brittal, 3/4—John Fife, 5/11—Henry Chamberlin, 6d¾—Calvin Chamberlin, 6/8—Hines Chamberlin, 2/6—Jeremiah Parker, 5/10¾—William Pratt, 6/7½—Abel Johnson, 3/7—John Barker, 9/2—Benjamin Gatfield, 9/7—William Kindle, 7/3½—Mr. Bayley, 3/4—Samuel Adams, 4/4½—Eli Brown, 4/7—Penuel Stevens, 3/4—Thomas Stevens, 3/1½—Sarah Holman, 10*d.*—John Holman 4/2—Salmon Warner, 3/4—Daniel Warner, 3/4—Jesse Bigelow, 2/6—Solomon Bigelow, 5/10—Moses Knap, 8/2½—Solomon Story, 5*s.*

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to credit the Collector of the town of Salisbury, on the five penny tax, granted for the year 1788, the sum of five pounds eighteen shillings and two farthings.

Resolved, That the House proceed to fill up the blanks in the Bill, entitled, *An Act for appointing Commissioners, for the purposes therein mentioned*—and that the number be seven: and the ballots being called for, *Isaac Tichenor*, *Stephen R. Bradley*, *Nathaniel Chipman*, *Elijah Paine*, *Ira Allen*, *Stephen Jacob*, and *Israel Smith*, Esquires, were duly elected Commissioners for the purposes mentioned in the above Bill:—then,

Ordered, That the above Bill lie on the table till Monday morning next.

Mr. *N. Spafford*, moved for leave of absence till Tuesday next.

Ordered, That he have leave.

Mr. *Stannard*, moved for leave of absence during the session.

Ordered, That he have leave.

The House then adjourned to Monday next, at 10 o'clock A. M.

MONDAY, 10 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 19th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners for the purposes therein mentioned*, was read a second time, and accepted.

Ordered, That it be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

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A Bill, entitled, *An Act enabling* Stephen *and* Mary Lawrence, *Administrators on the estate of* Stephen Lawrence, *deceased, to convey certain lands therein mentioned*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

The Committee appointed to receive and make up the Grand List for the present year, made report;—which report was read, and,

Ordered, To be recommitted.

On motion of Mr. *L. Chipman*,

Ordered, That the Secretary receive petitions and file them; and that tomorrow morning be assigned for hearing said petitions.

The Treasurer (with permission) requested some directions from the House relative to the return of an extent, versus *Abraham Ives*, late Sheriff of Rutland county, returned *non est*.

Resolved, That the Treasurer is hereby ordered to employ some Ally to proceed against the bondsmen of said *Ives*, via scire facias.

The Treasurer further solicited directions relative to the payment of compound or simple interest upon a loanoffice certificate.

Mr. *E. Smith* moved for leave to bring in a Bill, enabling him as bondsman to *Abraham Ives*, late Sheriff of Rutland county, to collect the arrearages due from the several Collectors to the treasury of this State.

Ordered, That he have leave.

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed to take under consideration the ten shilling tax, granted last fall, on Moretown, alias Bradford.——Members chosen—Mr. *Paine*, Mr. *Fassett*, and Mr. *Lomis*.

Mr. *Paine* moved for leave to read a resolution directing the Treasurer to proceed immediately against all Constables and Sheriffs who are deficient in the payment of taxes; which was read, and,

Ordered, To lie on the table.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the suspension of all civil processes against* Benajah Child, was read, and accepted: and,

Ordered, To be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a new trial in an action of ejectment* Raymond *versus* Moore, was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of two pence per acre on the lands in the township of Fairfax, for building bridges, and making and repairing roads*, was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in the town of St. Albans, for the purpose of repairing roads, &c.* was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in the township of Roxbury, for the purpose of making roads, and building bridges*, was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of two pence per acre on the lands in Braintree, for the purpose of building bridges, and making and repairing roads, &c.* was read the first time.

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A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in Whitingham, for the purpose of building bridges, and making and repairing roads,* was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of two pence per acre on the lands in Newhavengore, for making and repairing the roads through said gore,* was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in Orwell, for the purpose of making roads,* was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act altering the name of Pocock,* was read the first time.

The House adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee appointed on the petition of *Lewis R. Morris,* praying an abatement on a certain tax therein mentioned,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read, and accepted: therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A petition from *Israel Barrett* was read, and,

Ordered, That the said petition be dismissed.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Hydespark, praying for a tax of two pence on each acre of land in said town, (public rights excepted,) for the purpose of completing the county road through said town,

Report,

That it is their opinion that one penny, instead of two pence, per acre, should be granted, and that the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill for that purpose.

Which report was read and accepted; therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave.

The above Committee also reported on the three other petitions, one from the town of Wolcott, one from the town of Johnson, and one from the town of Bradford, each praying for a tax of two pence on each acre of land in each of said towns, (public rights excepted,) for the purpose of building bridges and repairing roads in said towns,

That in the opinion of said Committee the prayer of said petitions ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted.

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill for the above purpose.

The Committee appointed on the petition from the town of Panton, praying a tax of two pence on each acre of land in said town, (public rights excepted,) for the purpose of building a bridge over Deadriver,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought not to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted; therefore,

Ordered,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising a troop of horse in Pownal*, was read the first time.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *John Scott*, praying for a premium, or some other encouragement, on home manufactures,

Report,

That having taken into consideration, the necessity the inhabitants of this State are under to consume more woolen and linen cloths, than are at present manufactured among them, the scarcity of circulating cash, and the heavy impost on all foreign manufactures, beg leave to recommend to this Legislature, a bounty of eight shillings and four pence on every hundred weight of good merchantable Hemp, which shall be raised and well dressed by any one man in this State, within three years from the first day of April next.—Also a bounty of two pence on every yard of good merchantable well dressed woolen Cloth, of common width, that shall be manufactured in this State within twelve months from the first day of April next; and a bounty of four pence on each yard of good merchantable well dressed woolen Cloth of common width, which shall be made in any one manufactory in this State, within three years from the first day of April next, not less than one thousand yards the first, fifteen hundred yards the second, and two thousand yards the third year.—And a bounty of one penny halfpenny on every yard of good merchantable common linen, or tow-and-linen Cloth, of one yard wide, and narrower cloth in proportion; and on all linens of a finer quality, in the same proportion, according to their value, which shall be made in any one manufactory in this State, within three years from the first day of April next, not less than two thousand yards the first, three thousand the second, and four thousand the third year, reckoning quality for quantity. The whole to be inspected by such persons, and in such manner as shall be by law directed.

Which report was read, and,

Ordered, To lie on the table till tomorrow morning.

Mr. *Weld* moved for leave for Mr. *Emmons* to speak.

Which was granted.

And Mr. *Emmons* requested that a time might be appointed to hear him on the subject for holding the Supreme Court in the county of Windsor.

Ordered, That Esquire *Emmons* have leave to bring in a petition, stating certain grievances relative to the place of holding the Supreme Court in the county of Windsor: and that tomorrow morning be assigned for that purpose.

Mr. *Paine* moved for leave to read an account, signed by *Thomas Sawyer*, Captaincommandant, for powder and lead expended in the year 1778, and now presented to the Committee of Paytable.

Which account Mr. *Paine* read.

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee of Paytable.

Mr. *Hitchcock* moved for leave of absence till tomorrow morning.

Ordered, That he have leave.

A petition from the Agents for the proprietors of the township of Ripton, relative to the lines of said town, was read, and referred to a Committee of five, to state facts and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Ormsby*, Mr. *Paine*, Mr. *Hall*, and Mr. *Lomis*.

The Committee appointed on the petition from the proprietors of Marshfield,

Report,

That the real expense of running the outlines of Marshfield, does not appear to your Committee to amount to one half of the sum charged; and that in order to make that sum, the Governor and Council averaged the expense of running the lines of other towns upon said Marshfiel: which proceedings of the Governor and Council, your Committee suppose not to have been legal—and your Committee submit to the Legislature, the propriety of passing an Act appointing Commissioners to re-examine and adjust the late Surveyorgeneral's accounts against this State.

Which report was read, and accepted; and leave given to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor and Council be requested to join this House, in Grand Committee, to take under consideration the report of the Committee on the petition from the proprietors of Marshfield.

The Committee appointed to report such alterations and amendments, as are necessary to be made to the present Statute Laws of this State,

Report,

That they are of opinion, that an Act, entitled, An Act for the regulation of town lines, and the several additions thereto, passed the 22d of October, 1782—also, an Act, passed the 26th of February, 1782, entitled, An Act to ascertain the boundaries of the towns therein mentioned—And also an Act passed the 23d of October, 1783, entitled, An Act for the purpose of enabling the Surveyorgeneral to complete the townlines in this State—And an Act passed the 8th of March, 1784, entitled, An Act for the purpose of cutting roads in the northern part of this State—Also, an Act authorizing and empowering the Governor and Council to liquidate the Surveyorgeneral's accounts, be repealed.——That an amendment be made to the Justices Act, and to the Fee Bill—That an amendment be made to an Act directing the disposal of fines and forfeitures.—

Which report was read, and accepted.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act enabling* Stephen *and* Mary Lawrence, *Administrators on the estate of* Stephen Lawrence, *deceased, to convey certain lands therein mentioned,* was returned from Council concurred; and, after being read,

Was passed into a law of this State.

The Committee appointed to make up the Grand List for the year 1789, made their report;—which was read, and accepted.

Resolved, That this House join his Excellency the Governor and Council at this time, in Grand Committee, on the report of the Committee appointed on the petition from Marshfield.

His Excellency in the Chair.

Joseph Fay, Clerk.

The Grand Committee took into consideration the report of the Committee on the petition from the proprietors of Marshfield, praying for redress—they being overcharged in running the outlines of said town.

The Grand Committee went into debates, which involved the general settlement of the late Surveyorgeneral's accounts: upon which, the Council was requested to exhibit a stating of his accounts tomorrow.

Whereupon the Committee adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

Attest, Joseph Fay, *Clerk.*

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The House then proceeded to business.

A petition from *Titus Watson*, praying, that a suspension of law for three years, might be granted in favor of him, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *Lee*, Mr. *Parkhurst*, and Mr. *Barnum*.

A petition from *John Duncan*, praying compensation for a quantity of Wheat, taken from him by this State, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Knoulton*, Mr. *Paine*, and Mr. *Hubbard*.

The Committee appointed on the petition from the town of Fletcher,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted; and that the petitioners have leave to bring in a bill accordingly.

Which report was read, and accepted: therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition from the inhabitants of the town of Brumley,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought not to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted; therefore,

Ordered, That the said petition be dismissed.

A petition from the Selectmen of St. Albans, was read, and,

Ordered, To be dismissed.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to prepare a Bill as an amendment to the Justice's Act, and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *I. Smith*, Mr. *Marvin*, and Mr. *Lomis*.

Resolved, That a Committee of two be appointed to prepare a form for the Listers to make up the List.——Members chosen—Mr. *Johnson* and Mr. *Paine*.

A petition, praying for an abatement of taxes in Poultney, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to state facts and make report.——Members chosen—Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *S. Smith*, and Mr. *Brownson*.

A petition signed by *Peter Olcott*, in behalf of the proprietors of Wildersburgh, praying a tax of one penny halfpenny per acre on the lands in said town, for the purpose of making roads, &c. was read, and referred to the Committee appointed on similar petitions.

A petition from Colonel *William Barton*, praying for a Gore of land adjoining Hopkins' Gore, was read, and referred to the Land Committee.

Resolved, That the Committee appointed to prepare a Bill amending the Justices Act, do also prepare a Bill amending the Fee Bill; and a Bill directing the disposal of fines and forfeitures, and lay the same before this House.

A petition from *Joseph Bullen*, praying a grant of land, was read and referred to the Land Committee.

A petition signed by several persons in behalf of the proprietors of Guildhall, praying for a tax of one penny on each acre of land in said Guildhall, for the purpose of making roads, and building bridges, was read, and referred to the Committee appointed on similar petitions.

A petition from the proprietors of Minehead and Brunswick, praying for a tax for the purpose of making roads, &c. was read, and referred to the Committee appointed on similar petitions.

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A Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering the Selectmen of the town of Dorset, to sell some part of the land belonging to* William Lammon, *of Dorset aforesaid, represented insane*, was returned from Council concurred; which Bill was read.

Ordered, That the same pass into a law of this State.

A petition from the proprietors of Darby, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to join a Committee from the Council.——Members chosen—Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *B. Brown*, and Mr. *Brownson*.

Mr. *I. Smith* moved for permission to bring in Bill, entitled *An Act liberating persons confined in gaol after delivering up all their estate for the use of their creditors.*

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith* have leave.

A petition from *Ebenezer Strong*, agent for the proprietors of Elyeana or N°. 4, and Beerstown or N°. 6, praying for a longer time to pay certain granting fees in, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *Hunt*, Mr. *Johnson*, and Mr. *A. Smith*.

The House adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

TUESDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 20th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

A petition from *Benjamin Emmons* and others, praying that the Supreme Court next to be holden at Windsor, in the county of Windsor, may be directed to adjourn from the town of Windsor to the town of Woodstock, in said county, was read, when

Mr. *B. Brown* moved the House to hear a memorial from a number of persons in Windsor county, praying that a scire facias may issue to the people of Woodstock, to show cause at the next session of the General Assembly, why the privilege granted to the town of Woodstock, of being a shire town, should not be forfeited, they having not complied with the conditions of said grant.

Ordered, That the abovementioned memorial be read.

The Grand Committee met pursuant to adjournment.

The report of the Committee on the petition from Marshfield, was read,

When Mr. *Tichenor*, in behalf of the Council, went into a stating of the mode by which the Governor and Council adjusted the accounts of the late Surveyorgeneral.

After which Mr. *Ira Allen* gave a short stating of his proceedings while in that office.

Upon which Mr. *Tichenor* moved,

That this Committee recommend to the Legislature to appoint Commissioners to settle and fully adjust all the accounts of *Ira Allen*, Esquire, as late Surveyorgeneral, and *James Whitlaw*, Esquire, the present Surveyorgeneral.

Whereupon,

Resolved, That this Committee recommend to the Legislature to appoint Commissioners to settle and fully adjust all the accounts of *Ira Allen*, Esquire, as late Surveyorgeneral, and also the accounts of the present Surveyorgeneral.

Resolved, That this Committee be dissolved.

Attest, Joseph Fay, *Clerk*.

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The House then proceeded to business.

Mr. *Paine* moved that a Committee be appointed to draft and lay before the House, a Bill directing that the Supreme and County Courts in the county of Windsor, be alternately held at Windsor and Woodstock; and the yeas and nays being called for,

The House adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. *Paine*'s motion was taken under consideration—and the yeas and nays being again called for, are as follows:

Yeas.

Messrs. J. Robinson, D. Jewet, L. Hall, S. Cutler, Perkins, Morey, Paine, Grout, Jackson, Marvin, S. Chipman, Harrington, Hatheway, White, Hubbard, B. Brown, Denison, A. Chamberlain, Leavenworth, J. Lyman, Hopkins, Benton, Johnson, Fassett.

Nays.

Messrs. T. Jewett, Brownson, Shumway, I. Smith, Deane, Henry, Aikin, Wood, Marsh, Morse, Cottle, Heald, Hawkins, Parkhurst, Emmerson, Cross, Converse, Peters, Austin, W. Chamberlain, Ladd, Carr, Carpenter, E. Smith, L. Chipman, Wilson, Hall, Sawyer, Brown, Ferris, Thompson, Barnum, Knights, Clark, Wheelock, Bigelow, Heyward, Swift, Elmer, Lyman, Burton, A. Smith, Weld, Rogers, Foster, Throop, Lomis, Pennock, Sleeman, Gaskil, Cutler, Lee, S. Smith, A. Smith, Robinson, Lathrop, Williams, Brookins, E. Allen, Wright, Hard, Everest, Painter, M'Neil, I. Allen, Hitchcock, N. Smith, Bostwick, Woodworth, Cole, Spafford, N. Spafford, Mansfield.

It passed in the negative.

Mr. *Parkhurst* then moved that the petition from *Benjamin Emmons* and others, be taken under consideration; which petition was read, together with the law appointing the courts in the county of Windsor, to be held at Woodstock; and after long debate, the prayer of Mr. *Emmons*' petition was granted.

Wherefore,

Resolved, That the Honorable the Supreme Court, which by their adjournment is to be holden at Windsor, in the county of Windsor, on the last Tuesday of December next, be, and they are hereby directed on the first day of the sitting of the said Court, to adjourn the same to Woodstock, in said county of Windsor.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act enlarging Addison county*, was read the first time.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *Titus Watson*,

Report, ——

That in their opinion the prayer of ſaid petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read, and accepted: therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the ſuſpenſion of all civil proceſſes againſt* Benajah Child, was returned from the Council concurred; and after being read,

Ordered, That the ſame paſs into a law of this State.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *Aſaph Fletcher* and others,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of ſaid petition ought to be ganted.

Which report was read and accepted; therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *John Duncan*,

Reported.

Which report was read, and not accepted.

Reſolved, That the petition of *John Duncan* be referred to the Committee of Paytable; and they are hereby ordered to allow ſix ſhillings per buſhel, for the wheat taken from ſaid *Duncan*, and the intereſt ariſing on the ſame, and draw an order on the treaſury for ſuch demand.

The Committee appointed to draft a Bill amending the Juſtices Act,

Reported—A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act defining the powers of Juſtices of the Peace within this State.*

Which was read; and,

Ordered, To be recommitted to the former Committee; with the addition of Mr. *L. Hall*, Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *Hitchcock*, Mr. *Paine*, and Mr. *N. Smith*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for the ſuſpenſion of law againſt* Titus Watſon, was read the firſt time.

Mr. *Tichenor* appeared in the Houſe, from the Council, and propoſed amendments to the Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commiſſioners for the purpoſes therein mentioned.*

The Houſe adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 21st, 1789.

THE Houſe met purſuant to adjournment.

Mr. *Freeman* moved for leave to bring in a Bill, directing the Commiſſary-general to procure a piece of Ordnance for each Brigade of Militia within this State.

Ordered, That he have permiſſion.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act, entitled, an Act regulating proprietors meetings*—Alſo, *in addition to an Act, entitled, An Act directing Townclerks in their office and duty*, was read, and not accepted:

Ordered, That it be referred to a Committee of three.——Members choſen—Mr. *Paine*, Mr. *Harrington*, and Mr. *I. Smith*.

Reſolved, That the Treaſurer be directed, on the extents which were formerly put into the hand of *Abraham Ives*, late Sheriff of the county of Rutland, againſt the delinquent Collectors of Statetaxes for any of the towns within ſaid county, being

being returned into his office, to issue a new extent against such delinquent Collectors, severally, for the several balances that shall appear to be due—directed to some proper Officer for collecting the same: and if it shall so happen that the said late Sheriff had received any sum or sums of money, on any of such extents, which has not been by him endorsed, the Treasurer shall examine the receipt or receipts therefor; and if it shall appear to him that a receipt or receipts were actually given by said late Sheriff, he shall order an allowance thereof.

Resolved further, That the sureties of the said late Sheriff shall remain liable for any deficiencies that shall hereafter be found, in as full and ample a manner as though no new extents had been issued; and the Treasurer, if any deficiency be found against the said late Sheriff, on the return of such extents to be by him issued as aforesaid, shall cause the said sureties to be immediately prosecuted for the recovery thereof.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of twopence upon each acre of land in Newhavengore, so called, in the county of Addison*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That it be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of twopence per acre on the lands in the township of Fairfax, in Chittenden county*, was read and accepted; and,

Ordered, To be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in Orwell, in Rutland county*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for the purpose of altering the name of the town of Pocock, in the county of Addison, to the name of Bristol*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or propolals of amendment.

A Bill, directing the Treasurer to issue warrants for taxes, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *Harrington*, Mr. *J. Robinson*, and Mr. *N. Smith*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a new trial in a certain cause therein mentioned*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising a troop of horse in Pownal*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act laying a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in the township of Roxbury*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act laying a tax of twopence on each acre of land in Braintree*, was read and accepted:

Ordered,

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

Reſolved, That the Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to credit the town of Saliſbury, on the five penny tax for the year 1788, the ſum of twentyfour ſhillings and ten pence three farthings.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny per acre on all the lands in the townſhip of Whitingham, in Windham county*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to the Governor and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in the town of St. Albans, in Chittenden county*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

The Committee appointed to inquire into the ſtate of the Treaſury, and to project means for its ſupply, made their report—which was read and rejected.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of fivepence on the pound, for defraying the debts of this State, and for the ſupport of government*, was read the firſt time.

Reſolved, That the Commiſſarygeneral of military ſtores be, and he is hereby directed and fully empowered, to provide, at the expenſe of the State, one piece of Ordnance for each Brigade of Militia in this State, now unprovided with a piece of Ordnance, to be occupied by the ſeveral Companies of Artillery within their reſpective Brigades, and ſee them well mounted—and that he be allowed a reaſonable reward for his trouble, with the expenſe of tranſporting the ſame to the ſeveral Brigades; and that the Paymaſtergeneral is hereby directed to pay the ſame.

On motion of Mr. *L. Chipman*,

Reſolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to aſcertain the grantingfees on lands granted by this State to *John Kelly*.——Members choſen—Mr. *I. Allen*, Mr. *L. Chipman*, Mr. *J. Robinſon*, Mr. *N. Smith*, and Mr. *Parkburſt*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act in addition to an Act, entitled, An Act authorizing the Seleſtmen of the ſeveral towns in this State, to improve the Glebe and Society lands, &c. paſſed October 26th*, 1787, was read the firſt time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of two pence per acre on the lands in the townſhip of Bradford, in the county of Orange, for the purpoſe of making and repairing roads, &c.* was read the firſt time.

A petition from *Ephraim Stevens*, praying a new trial in a certain cauſe therein mentioned, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members choſen—Mr. *Thompſon*, Mr. *Shumway*, and Mr. *Hubbard*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of two pence on each acre of land in Fairfax, for the purpoſe of making and repairing roads, &c.* was returned from Council, with the following amendment, viz. "That the tax be only one penny halfpenny, in lieu of twopence." Which Bill was read, with the amendment.

Ordered, That the ſame paſs into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raiſing one hundred and fifty pounds, by way of a lottery, &c. &c.* was read the firſt time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in St. Albans, for the purpoſe of making and repairing roads, &c.* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read, *Ordered*,

Ordered, That the ſame paſs into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of two pence per acre on the lands in Newhavengore, for the purpoſe of making and repairing the main public road through ſaid gore*, was returned from Council concurred ; which Bill was read.

Ordered, That the ſame paſs into a law of this State.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *Ebenezer Strong*, Agent for the proprietors of Elyſiana, or N°. 4, and Beerſtown, or N° 6,

Report,

That the petitioner will pay twentyfour pounds into the treaſury at this ſeſſion, and two hundred and thirty pounds ſeven ſhillings and eleven pence, on the remaining part of the fees, by the firſt of January next, at Bennington, to complete the charter fees for two townſhips. And the remainder for the third townſhip, your Committee report, as their opinion, be poſtponed until the next ſtated or adjourned ſeſſion, then to be paid into the treaſury.

Which report was read and accepted ; thereupon,

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Ordered, That the report of the Committee for aſcertaining the wages of the Judges of the Supreme Court, be taken up at the opening of the Houſe this afternoon.

Mr. *A. Chamberlain*, and Mr. *Morey*, moved for leave of abſence during the remainder of the ſeſſion.

Ordered, That they have leave.

The Houſe then adjourned to 2 o'Clock P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK *P. M.*

The Houſe met purſuant to adjournment.

Mr. *Freeman*, one of the Committee of Paytable, prayed the direction of the Houſe on an account, which he produced, ſigned by *John Simons*, dated at Windſor, June 4th, 1779.

On motion of Mr. *L. Chipman*,

Ordered, That the Committee of Paytable examine into the aforeſaid account, and report to this Houſe.

The Committee appointed to aſcertain the wages of the Judges of the Supreme Court, made their report, which was read ; and,

On motion of Mr. *Iſrael Smith*,

Ordered, To lie on the table till

A Bill, entitled, *An Act in addition to an Act regulating fees*, ſhould be read and conſidered ;

Which Bill being read,

Ordered, That it lie on the table.

Moved that the above report be taken up, which was read and not accepted.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for the ſuſpenſion of law againſt* Titus Watſon, *ſo far as it reſpects civil proceſſes, for the time therein limited*, was read.

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to take back the Bill and amend it.

A petition from *Timothy Underwood*, praying compensation for the rent of a certain farm, which he paid to the Committee of Sequestration, and afterwards was obliged to repay it to a private claimant, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *Fletcher*, and Mr. *Hunt*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners for the purposes therein mentioned*, with amendments by the Council, was read, and,

Ordered, That the same lie on the table till tomorrow morning.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in Ludlow, for the purpose of mending and repairing the greatroad and bridges through said town*, was read and accepted.

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of two pence on each acre of land in the township of Wolcott, in the county of Chittenden, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act suspending the operation of law against* Titus Watson, *so far as it respects civil processes*, for the time therein limited, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A petition from Mr. *Stillman Foot*, praying for a new trial in a certain cause therein mentioned, was read, and referred to a Committee of three, to join a Committee from the Council.——Members chosen—Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *L. Hall*, and Mr. *I. Allen*.

A petition from *Samuel Hunt* and *Benjamin West*, surviving executors to the last will and testament of *John Church*, deceased, praying an Act of the Legislature, giving them the same power to dispose of the real estate of the said *John Church*, deceased, as his will gave to the executors collectively, was read; when Mr. *Hitchcock* moved,

That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose mentioned in the petition.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of twopence upon each acre of land in the township of Panton, for the purpose of making a bridge over Deadriver, in said town*, was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of twopence on each acre of land in the township of Fletcher, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act in addition to an Act, granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Hardwick, in Orange county, for the purpose of making roads and bridges*, passed October 1788, was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Hydespark, in Chittenden county, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was read the first time.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Guildhall, praying for a land tax, Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted; therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly. A

A petition for a land tax in Goshen, was read and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Shumway*, and Mr. *Marsh*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Guildhall, in Orange county, for making roads, &c.* was read the first time.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Maidstone and Lemington, Report,

That the prayer of the same ought to be granted, with this amendment—That the township of Minehead ought to be taxed only one penny halfpenny on each acre, public rights excepted ; and that your petitioners have liberty to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Which report was read, and accepted : therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny halfpenny on each acre of land in the township of Minehead, and twopence on each acre in the township of Brunswick, in the county of Orange*, was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny halfpenny on each acre of land in the town of Wildersburgh, in the county of Orange*, was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising a troop of horse in Pownal*, was returned from the Council concurred ; and after being read,

Ordered, That the same pass into a law of this State.

The Committee appointed on the petition from the Selectmen of Maidstone, praying an exemption from Statetaxes prior to the year 1788,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted ; therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a new trial in the action* Raymond *verses* Moore, was returned from Council concurred ; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for the purpose of altering the name of the town of Pocock, in the county of Addison, to the name of Bristol*, was returned from Council concurred ; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of twopence on each acre of land in the township of Wolcott, in the county of Chittenden, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was read and accepted :

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act laying a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in the township of Roxbury, for the purpose of making and repairing roads, &c.* was returned from the Council concurred ; read, and

Ordered, That the same pass into a law of this State.

The House adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

THURSDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 22nd, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

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The petition of *Elias Buel* and *John W. Blake*, praying to be admitted to the practice of law within this State, was read and referred to a Committee of three. ——Members chosen—Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *N. Smith*, and Mr. *L. Chipman*.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *Samuel Avery*, praying for a grant of land as compensation for certain lands, granted by this State,

Report,

That the facts set up in the original petition are true:—they further find that the lands prayed for by the Petitioner to be confirmed to him, have been granted by the late Province of Newhampshire, and the State of Vermont—that the Vermont grants were made in part after the said Avery had petitioned the Legislature. They further report—That in their opinion the Legislature grant to the said Avery and associates, an equal quantity of unlocated land within this State, if to be found therein, for such moderate fees as shall be deemed just and equitable.

Which report was read, and accepted.

On motion of Mr. *Leavenworth*,

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed to confer with the Surveyorgeneral, and find from him how much vacant land there is within this State, after former grants are completed.——Members chosen—Mr. *I. Allen*, Mr. *Hitchcock*, and Mr. *Johnson*.

Resolved, That the proprietors of Elysiana, (or N°. 4, as marked on the plan) pay twentyfour pounds lawful money, in hardmoney, to the Treasury of this State, toward the grantingfees of said township at this time:—and also, that they pay the remaining part of said grantingfees for said township, to the Treasury of this State, on or before the 1st day of January next—And the proprietors of the township of Berrstown, (or N°. 6, on said plan) pay the grantingfees on said township, on or before the rising of the General Assembly at their next session.—And if the grantingfees are not paid as aforesaid, such proprietors as neglect or refuse, shall forfeit their right or share in either of said townships.

Mr. *Morse* moved for leave of absence during this day.

Ordered, That he have leave.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the payment of fines and penalties*, was sent from the Council, and read; when

Mr. *Hitchcock* moved for leave to lay before the House a Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing an Attorneygeneral, and regulating his office and duty*—which Bill was read:

Ordered, That both the above Bills lay on the table till tomorrow morning.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for altering the times of holding the County Courts in the counties of Bennington and Chittenden*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the mode of filling up vacancies which may happen in certain offices therein mentioned*, was read the first time.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for suspending the operation of law against* Titus Watson, *so far as it respects civil processes*, was returned from Council, with amendments; which were read and assented to by this House, and

Passed into a law of this State.

The House resumed the consideration of the Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners*

Commissioners for the purposes therein mentioned—and the yeas and nays being called for on the amendments proposed by the Council, are as follow :

Yeas.

Messrs. T. Jewett, Hunt, Knights, Hubbard, Burton, Lomis, Lyman, S. Smith, Robinson, L. Chipman, Wright, Benton, N. Smith, I. Spafford, N. Spafford, Shumway, I. Smith, Wood, Marsh, Parkhurst, Paine, Austin, Lee, Asahel Smith, E. Smith, Wilson, Everest, Painter, Bostwick.

Nays.

Messrs. J. Robinson, Brownson, Deane, Jewet, S. Cutler, Bigelow, Hayward, Swift, B. Brown, A. Smith, Weld, Heald, Hawkins, Throop, Johnson, Aikin, Leavenworth, Grout, Peters, B. Cutler, Ladd, Carpenter, Hopkins, Lathrop, Brookins, Olin, Ormsby, Clark, L. Hall, Wheelock, Perkins, Henry, Elmer, Lyman, Denison, Cottle, Rogers, Foster, Emerson, Cross, Pennock, Sleeman, Gaskil, Chamberlain, Carr, Jackson, Hall, Marvin, Williams, E. Allen, Brown, Hard, Thompson, M'Neil, I. Allen, Fassett, Sawyer, Chipman, Ferris, Barnum, Harrington, Hitchcock, Mansfield, Fletcher.

It passed in the negative.

On motion of Mr. *Paine*,

Ordered, That Mr. *Hitchcock* wait upon his Excellency and Council, and inform them, that this Assembly cannot agree to expunge the provisional clause in the Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners for the purposes therein mentioned*—and that the House accept the other amendment as proposed.

Mr. *B. Brown* moved for leave to bring in a Bill, entitled, *An Act for altering the time of holding the County Court in the county of Windsor*—which permission was granted, and the Bill read accordingly.

The House adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in Ludlow, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was returned from the Council concurred ; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act laying a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Whitingham, in the county of Windham*, was returned from Council concurred ; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of two pence on each acre of land in the township of Braintree, in the county of Orange, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was returned from the Council concurred ; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering* Samuel Hunt, *and* Benjamin West, *surviving executors to the last will and testament of* John Church, *deceased, to dispose of the real estate of the said* Church, *lying within this State,* was read the first time.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to credit the town of Maidstone, all the Statetaxes that have been laid on the town of Maidstone before October 1788, except the tax of ten shillings on each hundred acres in said town.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act for the regulation of fees,* was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act enlarging the county of Addison,* was read; and the yeas and nays being called for, Whether it shall pass into a law of this State? are as follow.

Yeas.

Messrs. J. Robinson, Deane, Wheelock, Freeman, Heald, Johnson, Paine, Leavenworth, Converse, Sleeman, Peters, Robinson, Hopkins, L. Chipman, Brown, Chipman, Thompson, Barnum, M'Neil, Fassett, N. Spafford, Williams.

Nays.

Messrs. D. Jewet, Brownson, Ormsby, Shumway, Clark, Jewett, L. Hall, S. Cutler, Bigelow, Perkins, Hayward, Henry, Smith, Elmer, Aikin, Wood, Lyman, B. Brown, Denison, Burton, A. Smith, Weld, Rogers, Hawkins, Foster, Throop, Emerson, Cross, Pennock, Austin, W. Chamberlain, Lee, S. Smith, Carpenter, Jackson, E. Smith, Lathrop, Brookins, Hall, Sawyer, Wright, Hard, Ferris, Evereft, Benton, Painter, Harrington, I. Allen, Hitchcock, Bostwick, Woodworth, Cole, Spafford, Mansfield.

It passed in the negative.

Mr. *D. Jewet* moved for leave of absence till tomorrow morning.

Ordered, That he have leave.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jonathan Robinson* return the Bill, entitled, *An Act enlarging the county of Addison,* to the Governor and Council nonconcurred by this House.

A petition signed by several Representatives from the county of Windham, praying that the Supreme and County Courts in said county, may be held in Westminster and Marlborough, as formerly, was read and referred to a Committee of one Member from each county, (Windham county excepted.)—— Members chosen—Mr. *Jonathan Robinson,* Mr. *Williams* Mr. *Painter,* Mr. *Hitchcock,* Mr. *Parkhurst,* and Mr. *Paine.*

A petition signed by a number of Inhabitants of Windham and Windsor counties,

counties, praying for a new county, was read and referred to the next session of the Legislature.

The Committee appointed on the petition of *Timothy Underwood*, made their Report,

Which report was read, and accepted.

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to *Timothy Underwood*, the sum of fourteen pounds lawful money, being in full for the rent that said *Underwood* paid to *Jonas Clark*, for the farm he hired from *Leonard Spalding*, Committee of Sequestration.

The House adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

FRIDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 23rd, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House joined his Excellency the Governor and the Council, in Grand Committee.

His Excellency in the chair,

Lewis R. Morris, Clerk.

The Grand Committee then elected *John Steward* and *Gardner Chandler*, Esquires, Justices of the Peace in Windham county;

And *Thomas P. Lloyd*, a Justice of the Peace in Chittenden county;

Resolved, That this Committee be dissolved.

Attest,

Lewis R. Morris, *Clerk*.

The House then proceeded to business.

On motion of Mr. *Thompson*,

Resolved, That the order of this House directing that every Bill lie on the table twentyfour hours after the first reading, be, and hereby is repealed.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act establishing, for the time being, a jurisdictional line between Leicester and Salisbury*, was read and accepted.

Ordered, That it be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

Mr. *Tichenor* from the Council appeared in the House, and made proposals from Council for adopting the Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners for the purposes therein mentioned*, by leaving out the two last paragraphs of said Bill.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for altering the times of holding the County Court in the county of Windsor*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of five pence on the pound, for the purpose of defraying the debts of the State, and for the support of Government*, was read and accepted.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to the Governor and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

Mr. *Fletcher* moved for leave of abſence.

Ordered, That he have leave.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act making it the duty of every proprietors Clerk to deliver over the records, files, and papers, belonging to his office, to his ſucceſſor in office*, was read and accepted.

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act altering the times of holding the County Courts in the counties of Bennington and Chittenden*, was returned from the Council concurred; and being read,

Ordered, That the ſame paſs into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering officers to tranſport priſoners into other counties to be impriſoned*, was ſent to this Houſe from the Council, which was read, and nonconcurred.

Ordered, That Mr. *Iſrael Smith* carry the Bill back to the Council, and aſſign the reaſons why this Houſe does not concur therein.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act defining the powers of Juſtices of the Peace within this State*, was read; and,

Ordered, That the ſame be engroſſed for a ſecond reading.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act directing Liſters in their office and duty*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting fiftytwo thouſand acres of land to* Samuel Avery, Eſquire, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering* Samuel Hunt *and* Benjamin Weſt, *ſurviving Executors to the laſt will and teſtament of* John Church, *deceaſed, to diſpoſe of the real eſtate of the ſaid* Church, *lying within this State*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

The Houſe then adjourned to 2 o'Clock P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK *P. M.*

The Houſe met purſuant to adjournment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raiſing a tax of one penny per acre on the lands in the town of Marſhfield, in the county of Orange, for making roads and repairing bridges*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, To be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

The Houſe then took under conſideration the appointment of Commiſſioners

to

to examine and ſettle the accounts of the late Surveyorgeneral, and the preſent Surveyorgeneral—when

Colonel *Ira Allen*, the late Surveyorgeneral, moved for liberty to be heard by himſel and counſel.

Reſolved, That three Commiſſioners be appointed to ſettle the accounts of Col. *Ira Allen*, the late Surveyorgeneral, and *James Whitlaw*, Eſquire, the preſent Surveyorgeneral.

Reſolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to draw a Bill defining the powers of Commiſſioners to be appointed to ſettle the accounts of *Ira Allen*, Eſq. the late Surveyorgeneral, and *James Whitlaw*, Eſq. the preſent Surveyorgeneral —ſaid Committee to join a Committee from the Council.——Members choſen— Mr. *N. Smith*, Mr. *Paine*, and Mr. *Hitchcock*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act altering the time of holding the County Court in the county of Windſor, from the laſt Tueſday of October, to the firſt Tueſday of November*, was read, after nonconcurrence, and,

Ordered, That the ſame paſs into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of fivepence on the pound for defraying the debts of this State, and for the ſupport of government*, was returned from Council concurred ; and after being read,

Ordered, That the ſame paſs into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the payment of fines and penalties, and the payment of coſts in caſes of delinquency*, (which Bill originated in Council) was read ; when

Mr. *Hitchcock* moved for leave (which was granted) to read

A Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing an Attorneygeneral, and regulating his office and duty* : and after ſome debate, and many arguments offered in favor of the latter Bill,

Voted, Not to accept the former Bill.

The latter Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing an Attorneygeneral, and regulating his office and duty*, was again read, and accepted :

Ordered, That Mr. *L. Hall* deliver the ſame to the Governor and Council, (together with the Bill directing the payment of fines and penalties nonconcurred) for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *Ephraim Stevens*, praying a new trial in an action wherein *Silas Hodges*, *Samuel Williams*, and *Jonathan Parker*, were plaintiffs, and the Petitioner defendant,

Report,

That the prayer of ſaid petition be ſo far granted that the execution be ſtayed till after the ſeſſion of Aſſembly in October next ; and that the petitioner be directed to cite the adverſe party to appear and ſhow cauſe, if any they have, why a new trial ſhould not be granted.

Which report was read and accepted ; therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A petition from *Matthew Lyon*, praying a grant of a lot of land lying within this State, belonging to the Society for the propagation of the goſpel in foreign parts ;—and alſo a grant of eight hundred pounds hard money orders, was read, and referred to the next ſeſſion of the Legiſlature.

Mr. *Cole* moved for leave of absence during the remainder of the session.

Ordered, That he have leave.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners for the purposes therein mentioned*, was returned to this House from the Council, with amendments, by Mr. *Tichenor*; which were read and nonconcurred.

Ordered, That the above Bill be returned to Council by Mr. *Robinson*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act empowering the Selectmen to take care of the glebe and society lands in this State*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the mode of filling up vacancies which may happen in certain offices therein mentioned*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

The Committee appointed on the petition from the Selectmen of Poultney, praying an abatement of taxes,

Report,

That they find the facts mentioned in the petition supported—and therefore are of opinion that the prayer thereof ought to be granted.

Which report was read, and accepted:

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Resolved, That the town of Poultney be, and hereby are, allowed seventeen pounds three shillings and ninepence, on the tax granted by the General Assembly on the list of 1788, of fivepence on the pound, granted during their session at Manchester in October 1788—and that the Treasurer be directed to credit the same to their account.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Goshen, praying for a land tax,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read, and accepted:

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in that part of Goshen that lies easterly of Salisbury, for making roads, &c.* was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

The House then proceeded to fix the place for holding the next election:—and the votes being taken, *Whether* Castleton *or* Rutland, *in the county of Rutland, should be the place?* are as follow:—

For Castleton.

Messrs. T. Jewett, Shumway, I. Smith, Deane, Hunt, Jewet, S. Cutler, Wheelock, Hayward, Henry, Swift, Elmer, Wood, Lyman, Marsh, Burton, A. Smith, Foster, Throop, Chamberlain, Converse, Sleeman, Peters, Lyman, Austin, B. Cutler, Lee, Lathrop, Wilson, Brooking, Hall, Wright, Brown, Ferris, Painter, Barnum, M'Neil, I. Allen, Hitchcock, Bostwick, N. Spafford, Mansfield.

For

For Rutland.

Messrs. Ormsby, Clark, Bigelow, Perkins, Aikin, White, Hubbard, B. Brown, Cottle, Weld, Heald, Rogers, Hawkins, Parkhurst, Emerson, Lomis, Paine, Leavenworth, Grout, Ladd, Carpenter, Jackson, Hopkins, Williams, E. Allen, Chipman, Thompson, Harrington.

The votes were in favor of Castleton.

Resolved, That the election be held, the next year, at Castleton: and that Mr. *Cazeer* be requested to preach the election sermon on that occasion—and Colonel *Lee* is hereby requested to notify him; and in case of his failure, to request Mr. *Blood* to preach the same.

Mr. *Mansfield* moved for leave of absence during the remainder of the session.

Ordered, That he have leave.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in Washington, in the county of Orange*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

The House then proceeded to vote a salary for his Excellency the Governor.

Resolved, That this House allow his Excellency the Governor, as a salary for the ensuing year, one hundred and fifty pounds; and he is hereby empowered to draw on the Treasurer, who is directed to pay the same.

On motion of Mr. *Paine*,

Resolved, That his Honor *Thomas Chittenden*, be allowed fifty pounds for past services, in addition to his last year's salary; which he is hereby empowered to draw from the treasury of this State.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this State be allowed for the year past, one hundred and twenty pounds; which he is hereby empowered to draw out of the treasury of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for staying an execution against*, Ephraim Stevens, *and for other purposes therein mentioned*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That it be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising a tax of twopence on each acre of land in the town of Bradford, in the county of Orange*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Guildhall, in the county of Orange, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

Mr. *Knoulton* from the Council appeared in the House, and announced the assent of the Council to the provisional clause in the Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners for the purposes therein mentioned*; which Bill was read, and

Passed

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act laying a tax of two pence on each acre of land in the township of Panton, for the purpose of making a bridge over Deadriver*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, To be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising one hundred and fifty pounds, by way of a lottery*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising one hundred and fifty pounds by lottery, for erecting a malthouse and brewery in Weathersfield*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny halfpenny on each acre of land in the town of Wildersburgh, in the county of Orange*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Hardwick, in Orange county, for the purpose of making roads and bridges*, passed October 1788, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of two pence on each acre of land in the township of Fletcher, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act establishing, for the time being, a jurisdictional line between the towns of Leicester and Salisbury*, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Orwell, in the county of Rutland*, was returned from the Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of twopence on each acre of land in the township of Wolcott, in the county of Chittenden, for making roads, &c.* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for the regulation of fees*, was returned from Council with the amendments; and after being read in the House with the amendments, was concurred; and then

Passed into a law of this State.

The Committee appointed on the petition from a Committee in Woodstock, appointed by a former Assembly to superintend the expenditure of a tax granted on the lands in said Woodstock, for building a bridge over Waterquechee river,

Report,

That

That the prayer of ſaid petition ought to be granted by granting a tax of half a penny on each acre of land in ſaid town of Woodſtock, (public rights excepted,)

Which report was read, and accepted :

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Reſolved, That the Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to credit the town of Springfield, the ſum of five pounds eight ſhillings and eight pence, on the tax granted by the Aſſembly for the year 1789.

Mr. *Wheelock* moved for leave of abſence during the remainder of the ſeſſion.

Ordered, That he have leave.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act directing the mode of proceſs againſt Highſheriffs bondſmen*, was read and accepted :

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to the Governor and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the townſhip of Hydeſpark, in the county of Chittenden, for making roads, &c.* was read and accepted :

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act laying a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the townſhip of Georgia, for the purpoſe of making roads, &c.* was read and accepted :

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

Mr. *Samuel Chipman* moved for leave of abſence during the remainder of this ſeſſion.

Ordered, That he have leave.

The Houſe adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

SATURDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 24th, 1789.

THE Houſe met purſuant to adjournment.

The memorial of *Luke Knoulton*, Eſquire, was read, and referred to the Committee appointed to aſſeſs granting fees.

The Council ſent a Bill, entitled, *An Act repealing certain clauſes in an Act, entitled, An Act for the eſtabliſhment of townlines*, and requeſted this Houſe to paſs the ſame into a law of this State ; which being read,

Reſolved, That this Houſe requeſt his Excellency the Governor and the Council, to join in Grand Committee this morning, to take under conſideration the Act for the regulation and eſtabliſhment of townlines.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act, entitled, An Act for the purpoſe of levying a land tax on the towns therein afternamed*, paſſed October 27, 1785, was read and accepted :

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

His Excellency and Council appeared in the Houſe, and the General Aſſembly agreed to join in Grand Committee.

His Excellency in the chair,

Roſwell Hopkins, Clerk.

The ſeveral Acts paſſed by the Legiſlature, directing the perambulating and running townlines, and cutting roads, &c. were read.

The queſtion being put Whether this Committee recommend to the Legiſlature to paſs an Act to repeal all Acts heretofore paſſed directing the regulation and eſtabliſhment of townlines?

It paſſed in the negative.

Reſolved, That this Committee recommend to the Legiſlature to appoint a Committee to draw a Bill, repealing ſuch parts and clauſes of the ſeveral Acts for the regulation and eſtabliſhment of townlines, as they ſhall judge unconſtitutional.

The Committee then diſſolved.

Atteſt,

Roſwell Hopkins, *Clerk*.

The Houſe then proceeded to buſineſs.

The report of the Grand Committee was read and accepted.

Reſolved, That a Committee of five, to join a Committee from the Council, be appointed to prepare a Bill accordingly.——Members choſen—Mr. *I. Smith*, Mr. *N. Smith*, Mr. *Paine*, Mr. *Marvin*, and Mr. *Johnſon*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Paine* make inquiry of his Excellency, and report to this Houſe, his opinion with reſpect to the charterfees of Coventry.

The Houſe adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

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2 o'CLOCK *P. M.*

The Houſe met purſuant to adjournment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act defining the powers of Juſtices of the Peace within this State*, was read, and accepted:

Ordered, That the ſame be ſent to his Excellency and Council for reviſion and concurrence, or propoſals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the townſhip of Hardwick, in Orange county, for the purpoſe of making roads and bridges*, paſſed October 1788, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Paſſed into a law of this State.

A petition from *Ephraim Stevens*, praying a ſuſpenſion from any civil proceſs during the term of three years, was read, and referred to the next ſeſſion of the Legiſlature.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny halfpenny on each acre of land in the town of Wilderſburgh, in the county of Orange*, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Paſſed into a law of this State.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Cambridge, praying a relinquiſhment of part of their taxes,

Report,

Report,

That they find the facts mentioned in the petition supported—and therefore are of opinion that the prayer thereof ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to credit the town of Cambridge, the sum of ten pounds one shilling and eightpence, on the tax of fivepence on the pound, granted by the General Assembly in October last, on the list of 1788.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Killington, praying for a tax, for the purpose of cutting roads and building bridges in said town,

Report,

That the prayer of said petition be granted.

Which report was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A petition from *Benoni Cutler*, praying a relinquishment of the Statetaxes on Guildhall previous to the year 1786, now due, was read, and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *B. Brown*, Mr. *Lomis*, and Mr. *Hathaway*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the town of Killington, for cutting roads and building bridges*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Guildhall, in the county of Orange, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for the purpose of raising a halfpenny on each acre of land in the town of Woodstock, for the purpose therein mentioned*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny halfpenny on each acre of land in the town of Minehead, and twopence on each acre in the town of Brunswick, in the county of Orange*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act explanatory of an Act, entitled, An Act for the appointment and regulating Attornies and pleadings at the bar*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of twopence on each acre of land in the township of Fletcher, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was returned from the Council with amendments, which were read and concurred with by this House; and, Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for staying an execution against* Ephraim Stevens, *and for*

for other purposes therein mentioned, was returned from Council concurred ; and after being read,

Ordered, That the same pass into a law of this State.

The House then adjourned to Monday next, at 8 o'clock A. M.

MONDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 26th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. *Brown*,

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed to enquire whether the late Governor has been paid up to the time of his quitting his office.——Members chosen—Mr. *B. Brown*, Mr. *Brownson*, and Mr. *Freeman*.

Ordered, That the above Committee examine whether there is any money in the treasury.

A petition from Doctor *Arnold*, praying for a tax on several towns therein mentioned, for opening roads, &c. was read and referred to a Committee of three.——Members chosen—Mr. *Parkhurst*, Mr. *W. Chamberlain*, and Mr. *I. Allen*.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the town of Bradford, in the county of Orange*, was returned from Council concurred ; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering* Samuel Hunt *and* Benjamin West, *surviving Executors to the last will and testament of* John Church, *deceased, to dispose of the real estate of the said* Church, *lying within this State*, was returned from the Council concurred ; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act, entitled, An Act for the purpose of levying a land tax on the towns therein afternamed*, passed October 27, 1785, was returned from Council concurred ; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act declaring the debts due to this State on interest from the time they respectively become due*, was read and accepted :

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Lunenburgh, praying a land tax on said Lunenburgh, for making and repairing roads, &c.

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted ; therefore,

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of twopence on each acre of land in the town of Lunenburgh, in Orange county, for the purpose of making and repairing roads*, was read and accepted :

Ordered, That it be sent to the Governor and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

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A petition from *Susanna Matteson*, praying a confirmation of *Amos Matteson*'s will, was read, and referred to the next session of Assembly; and the petitioner directed to cite the Heirs to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer should not be granted.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Philadelphia, in the county of Rutland*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *Ebenezer Strong*, agent for the proprietors of Derby, complaining that the proprietors of Salem claim a part of the lands included in Derby; and praying an Act of the Legislature quieting them in their claims under the grant of Derby,

Report,

That no evidence has been adduced to them by which it appears that there is any interference of the charters of Derby and Salem, as mentioned in said petition—except what appears from the general survey and the charter of Salem, having no particular bounds, only on Navey, and different from the usual manner of issuing charters in this State, which, in the opinion of your Committee, makes it necessary for the Honorable House to enquire on what principles the said charter of Salem was issued.

Which report was read and accepted;

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to join a Committee from the Council, to enquire on what principle the charter of Salem was issued.—— Members chosen—Mr. *Knights*, Mr. *L. Chipman*, and Mr. *Freeman*.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *Joseph Fay*, praying permission to discount half of the sum now due from him to complete the fees on the township of Huntsburgh, with the Treasurer, in lieu of money due from this State to the said *Fay*,

Report,

That as it is the request of Col. Fay *to pay in State securities at ten shillings on the pound, the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.*

Which report was read.

Ordered, That the same be recommitted.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising one hundred and fifty pounds by lottery, for erecting a malthouse and brewery in Weathersfield*, was returned from the Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, laying a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Georgia, for the purpose of making roads, &c.* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Hydespark, in the county of Chittenden, for making roads, &c.* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising one hundred and fifty pounds by lottery*, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act directing the mode of process against Highsheriffs bondsmen*, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act empowering the Selectmen to take care of the glebe and society lands in this State*, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting fiftytwo thousand acres of land to* Samuel Avery, was returned from Council with an amendment; which was read, and the amendment not accepted.

Ordered, That Mr. *I. Allen* return the Bill with the amendment to the Council, and state to the Council the objections of this House thereto.

The House adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

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2 o'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Doctor *Arnold*, praying for a tax on several towns therein mentioned, for opening roads, &c.

Report,

That a tax of one penny per acre be laid on the lands in the townships of Ryegate, Barnet, and Littleton, for the purposes therein mentioned.

Which report was read and not accepted:

Ordered, That the same be dismissed.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the Surveyorgeneral in his office and duty*, was read; and,

Ordered, That the same lie on the table.

Mr. *Tichenor* from the Council appeared in the House, and returned the Bill, entitled, *An Act defining the power of Justices of the Peace within this State*, and made proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners for the purpose of settling and adjusting the accounts of* Ira Allen, *Esquire, late Surveyorgeneral, and* James Whitlaw, *Esquire, the present Surveyorgeneral, against this State*, was read; and,

Ordered, That Mr. *Paine*, and Mr. *I. Smith*, be a Committee to amend the above Bill.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act, entitled, An Act for establishing post offices within this State*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Paine*,

Resolved, That this House request his Excellency the Governor and the Council, to join in Grand Committee at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning, to consult as to the propriety or necessity of appointing Agents to the Congress of the United States.

The House adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 27th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House, agreeable to the order of yesterday, agreed to join his Excellency the Governor and Council in Grand Committee.

The Governor, Council, and Assembly having joined in Grand Committee to take under consideration the propriety of choosing Agents to Congress, &c.

His Excellency in the chair,

Roswell Hopkins, Clerk.

Voted, To choose by ballot of this Committee, three persons as Agents to transact the negociation of this State, with the Congress of the United States of America, for admission into the federal government.

The ballots being taken, *Isaac Tichenor*, *Stephen R. Bradley*, and *Elijah Paine*, Esquires, were elected.

On motion made to choose a Surveyorgeneral for the year ensuing, the ballots being taken, *James Whitlaw*, Esquire, was chosen.

Resolved, That this Committee be dissolved.

Attest,

Roswell Hopkins, *Clerk*.

The House then proceeded to business.

On motion of Mr. *Lomis*,

Ordered, That Mr. *Williams* have liberty to bring in a Bill for the appointment of a Commissioner to adjust and settle public accounts, and draw orders on the Treasurer for the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *N. Smith* assist Mr. *Williams* in drawing the above Bill.

The House took under consideration the Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the Surveyorgeneral in his office and duty, and repealing certain Acts therein mentioned*, with some additions, proposed by Mr. *N. Smith*.

On motion of Mr. *Paine*,

The yeas and nays were taken on the additions proposed by Mr. *N. Smith*; and are as follow.

Yeas.

Messrs. T. Jewett, Shumway, Aikin, Hubbard, B. Brown, Asahel Smith, Weld, Ormsby, Emerson, Lathrop, Everest, Barnum, N. Smith.

Nays.

Messrs. J. Robinson, Brownson, Deane, Knights, D. Jewet, Bigelow, Hayward, Henry, Elmer, Wood, Lyman, Denison, Burton, Morse, A. Smith, Cottle, Hawkins, Foster, Parkhurst, Throop, Johnson, Paine, Cross, Leavenworth, Pennock, Grout, Converse, Peters, Lyman, Austin, Cutler, Chamberlain, Carpenter, Marvin, Chipman, Williams, Wilson, Brookins, Hall, Sawyer, Wright, Hard, M'Neil, Fassett, Hathaway, Woodward, Spafford.

It passed in the negative.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the town of Minehead, and twopence on each acre in the town of Brunswick, in the county of Orange*, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

The House then adjourned to 2 o'Clock P. M.

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3 o'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act directing Listers in their office and duty*, was returned from Council with an amendment—it was then read, and,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the Surveyorgeneral in his office and duty, and repealing certain acts therein mentioned*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he hereby is, directed immediately to issue warrants against all Constables and Sheriffs who are delinquent in the payment of taxes: and whenever, in future, any Constable shall receive a warrant from the Treasurer for the collection of any tax, and shall neglect to pay said tax into the Treasury, by the time limitted in such warrant for the payment of the same, the Treasurer is directed, immediately after two months after the expiration of the time so limitted in such warrant, to issue his warrant against such Constable so neglecting.—And whenever a Sheriff shall receive a warrant from the Treasurer against such delinquent Constable, and shall neglect to pay into the Treasury such sum as he shall be directed to collect of such Constable, the Treasurer is directed to issue his warrant against such Sheriff, immediately after sixty days from the date of such warrant, received by such Sheriff.

Resolved further, That the Treasurer, after this year, shall be directed to bring blank warrants for taxes with him to the Assembly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act making it the duty of every proprietors Clerk to deliver over the records, files, and papers, belonging to his office, to his successor in office*, was returned from Council nonconcurred; and a Bill under the same title sent from Council with the above, to which they requested the concurrence of the House.

Which Bill was read:

Ordered, That Mr. *Paine* return the same to Council; and propose, as an amendment, that the second clause in the said Bill be expunged.

Mr. *Fassett*, from the Council, returned the above Bill, with some amendments in lieu of those proposed by this House; when the Bill was read and accepted, and

Ordered, That the same pass into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act defining the powers of Justices of the Peace within this State*, was returned from Council, with amendments; which were read, and a part thereof accepted:

Ordered,

Ordered, That Mr. *Knights* return the Bill to Council, and ſtate the objection which this Houſe has to ſuch amendments in ſaid Bill as have not been accepted by this Houſe.

Mr. *Parkhurſt* moved for leave to bring in a Bill, entitled, *An Act to take off the bounty now given on wool and linen cloth*:

Ordered, That he have leave.

Mr. *Ormſby* moved for leave of abſence during the remainder of the ſeſſion.

Ordered, That he have leave.

The Houſe then adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, 8 *o'Clock A. M.* OCTOBER 28th, 1789.

THE Houſe met purſuant to adjournment.

The Committee to whom was recommitted the petition from *Joſeph Fay*, Report,

That the prayer thereof cannot be granted.

Which report was read and accepted.

His Excellency and Council appeared in the Houſe, and propoſed to join this Houſe in Grand Committee on the Bill, entitled, *An Act defining the powers of Juſtices of the Peace within this State.*

The Houſe agreed to join in Grand Committee.

His Excellency in the chair,

Lewis R. Morris, Clerk.

The queſtion being put—*Whether this Committee recommend to the General Aſſembly to concur with the Council in their propoſed amendment, to eraſe that part of the Bill which empowers a Juſtice of the Peace to iſſue writs of ſummons or attachment to run through the State?*

It paſſed in the negative.

The queſtion being alſo put—*Whether this Committee recommend it to the General Aſſembly to concur with the Council in their propoſed amendment, viz. to eraſe the following words*——"*It is hereby further enacted, That no Judge of any Court, Councillor, or Juſtice of the Peace, within this State, ſhall iſſue any writ of ſummons or attachment within the ſum beforementioned, returnable before any magiſtrate other than himſelf?*"

It paſſed in the negative.

The Committee then diſſolved.

Atteſt,

Lewis R. Morris, *Clerk.*

The Houſe then proceeded to buſineſs.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act defining the powers of Juſtices of the Peace within this State*, was read, and an amendment made, and agreed to by the Houſe.

Ordered, That Mr. *Paine* deliver the above to the Council, and point out the alteration made by this Houſe.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commiſſioners for the purpoſe of ſettling and adjuſting the accounts of* Ira Allen, *Eſquire, the late Surveyorgeneral, and* James

Whitlaw, *Esquire, the present Surveyorgeneral*, was read; and the House proceeded by ballot to fill up the blanks in the said Bill—when *Gideon Olin, Roswell Hopkins*, and *Elijah Paine*, Esquires, were duly elected Commissioners for the above purpose.

The Bill was then read and accepted.

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the Surveyorgeneral in his office and duty, and repealing certain acts therein mentioned*, was returned from Council with an amendment—was read, and,

Passed into a law of this State.

Mr. *Johnson* and Mr. *Bigelow* both moved for leave of absence during the remainder of this session—which was granted.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting fiftytwo thousand acres of land to* Samuel Avery, was returned from Council with amendments, which were concurred with by the House; and being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, repealing certain parts of an Act, entitled, An Act directing Listers in their office and duty*, was read; when,

Mr. *Marvin* called for the *yeas* and *nays—Whether the same should pass this House*.

Yeas.

Messrs. Knights, Clark, Jewett, Hayward, Henry, Elmer, Aikin, Wood, Freeman, B. Brown, Burton, Morse, A. Smith, Heald, Parkhurst, Throop, Emerson, Lomis, Paine, Leavenworth, Grout, Converse, Peters, A. Lyman, Austin, Chamberlain, Ladd, Williams, Wilson, Fassett, Spafford Wright, I. Allen, Hathaway.

Nays.

Messrs. Brownson, Shumway, I. Smith, Deane, Lyman, Hubbard, Marsh, Cottle, Weld, Hawkins, Foster, Cross, Pennock, Asahel Smith, Hopkins, Chipman, E. Allen, Ferris, M'Neil, Marvin, Hall, Hard, Everest, Bostwick.

It passed in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

The House then adjourned to 2 o'Clock P. M.

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2 o'CLOCK *P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay ten shillings and six pence, hard money, to each person made up in the debenture of the

the Council or Assembly, that are present at this time, out of the hard money now in the treasury.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to and explanation of an Act*, passed March 8, 1787, entitled, *An Act ascertaining the mode in which granting fees shall be assessed, and the charters given of lands granted by this State*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

The petition of *Jesse Ide*, praying that the Legislature would direct the Judge of Probate for the district of Westminster, to approbate the will of *Ichabod Ide*, deceased, was read, and the prayer thereof granted.

Ordered, That the petitioner bring in a Bill accordingly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act directing the Judge of Probate for the district of Westminster, to prove, approve and confirm the last will and testament of* Ichabod Ide, *deceased*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act altering the place for holding the Supreme and County Courts in the county of Chittenden*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of twopence on each acre of land in the township of Johnson, in Chittenden county, for making roads, &c.* was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act defining the powers of Justices of the Peace within this State*, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners for the purpose of settling and adjusting the accounts of* Ira Allen, *Esquire, the late Surveyorgeneral, and* James Whitlaw, *Esquire, the present Surveyorgeneral*, was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the same be sent to his Excellency and Council for revision and concurrence, or proposals of amendment.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act enabling the Judge of Probate for the district of Westminster, to prove, approve and confirm, the last will and testament of* Ichabod Ide, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing an Attorneygeneral, and defining his office and duty*, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in Killington, in Rutland county, for making roads, &c.* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Johnson, in Chittenden county, for making roads, &c.* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

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A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Philadelphia, in Rutland county, for making roads, &c.* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

The Committee appointed to draft an address to the President of the United States, reported a draft, which was read, and sent to the Governor and Council.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of twopence on each acre of land in Lunenburgh, in Orange county,* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to and explanation of an Act,* passed March 8, 1787, entitled, *An Act ascertaining the mode in which grantingfees shall be assessed, and the charters given of lands granted by this State,* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

The Committee appointed to assess the grantingfees on the several tracts of land herein aftermentioned,

Report,

"That the gore of land lying east of a gore of land granted to Major *Buel*, and west of Fayston, containing about four thousand acres granted to *Samuel Avery*, be assessed the sum of twenty shillings on each right, or three pounds to each thousand acres; to be paid in bills of credit of this State.

And that the gore of land marked *Knoulton* on the plan or map of this State, containing ten thousand acres of land, and granted to *Luke Knoulton*, Esquire, be assessed four pounds ten shillings to each right, or thirteen pounds ten shillings to each thousand acres; to be paid in bills of credit of this State.

And that the money or bills of credit as aforesaid, be paid into the treasury of this State, between this and the sitting of the Legislature at their next October session."

Which report was read and accepted.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the township of Marshfield, in Orange county, for making roads, &c.* was returned from Council with a proposed amendment; which Bill was read with the amendment proposed, and passed into a law of this State.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Lunenburgh, praying an abatement on a certain tax therein mentioned,

Report,

That the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted.

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to credit the town of Lunenburgh, on the fivepenny Statetax for the year 1788, the sum of sixteen pounds thirteen shillings and four pence, which sum appears to have been overcharged against said town, by their being doomed eight hundred pounds too high.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering Sheriffs and Constables to commit persons to gaol out of their counties,* was returned from Council concurred; and after being read, Passed into a law of this State.

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A Bill, entitled, *An Act, in addition to an Act*, entiled, *An Act regulating Attornies, and pleadings at the bar*, was sent from the Council; and being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in that part of Goshen which lies easterly of Salisbury, for making roads, &c.* was returned from Council with amendments, which were read and accepted; and

Passed into a law of this State.

Resolved. That the Secretary of State be directed to destribute the laws passed this session, as follows—one copy to each of the following persons, viz. His Excellency the Governor—his Honor the Deputygovernor—each Member of Council—the Treasurer—the Secretary of Council—the Secretary of State—the Clerk of the General Assembly—one to each of the Judges of the Supreme, County, and Probate Courts—one to each Clerk of said Courts—one to each Townclerk, and one to each Justice of the Peace; and that the same be sent by the Printer to this State, by the Posts, to the Sheriffs of the several counties; to be by them distributed according to this Resolution.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to call on *Thomas Chittenden*, Esq. late Governor of this State, for a note or bond, which it is said *Elias Buel* and *Ira Allen*, Esquire, gave him in behalf of the Treasurer, upon his issuing the charter of Coventry, agreeable to a resolution of Council passed October 1788: and if the Treasurer shall obtain said bond or note, he is hereby directed to take all necessary measures for the speedy collection of it.

The House adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

THURSDAY, 8 *o'Clock A M.* OCTOBER 29th, 1789.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee appointed on the petition from Guildhall, praying an abatement of taxes,

Report,

That in their opinion the prayer of said petition ought to be granted.

Which report was read and accepted:

Ordered, That the petitioners have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to credit the town of Guildhall the several Statetaxes now due, that were levied previous to the year 1786, except the ten shilling landtax.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act repealing certain parts of an Act, entitled, An Act directing Listers in their office and duty*, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

Ordered, That the Treasurer pay his Excellency the Governor, onehundred Dollars in hardmoney, towards his salary for the ensuing year.

Ordered, That the Journals of this House during their present session, be published in the usual manner.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act declaring the debts due to this State on interest*, was returned from Council with amendments:—which was read, with the proposed amendments, and

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act granting a tax of one penny on each acre of land in the town of Washington*, was returned from Council concurred; and after being read,

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing an Attorneygeneral, and defining his office and duty*, was returned from Council suspended till the next session of Assembly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act appointing Commissioners for the purpose of settling the accounts of* Ira Allen, *Esq. the late Surveyorgeneral, and* James Whitlaw, *Esq. the present Surveyorgeneral*, was returned from Council with amendments:—when the Bill and the proposed amendments were read, and accepted, and

Passed into a law of this State.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act, entitled, An Act for establishing post offices within this State*, was returned from Council suspended till the next session of the General Assembly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act confirming grants, &c.* was sent to this House by the Council; when the same was read and accepted, and

Passed into a law of this State.

The Committee appointed on the petition from *Lott Hall*, Esquire, and others, praying that the Courts in Windham county may in future be held as formerly at Marlborough, and Westminster,

Report,

That the same be referred to the next session of Assembly.

Which report was read and accepted.

Ordered, That the petitions from *Bezaliel Jones*, *Elias Buel*, and associates, and the petition from *John Scott*, be referred to the next session of the General Assembly.

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be, and he is hereby empowered to draw such sum or sums of hardmoney out of the Treasury of this State, as he may conceive necessary for the Commissioners elected by this State to treat with the Commissioners appointed by the State of Newyork; and also for the the use of the Agents appointed to the Congress of the United States, if they should require the same.

Resolved, That this House concur with the Governor and Council in the Address to the President of the United States—and that the Speaker sign the same in behalf of this House.

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to procure the Election Sermon, to be printed, and send one copy to his Excellency the Governor—one to his Honor the Deputygovernor—one to each Member of Council and Assembly—one to each Secretary—one to the Clerk of the General Assembly—and fifty copies to be printed and distributed to the Clergy of this State, under the direction of the Reverend Mr. *Foster*.

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State, and the Clerk of the General Assembly, to make out copies of all Acts and Resolutions that respect the Treasurer in his office and duty, and transmit the same to the Treasurer immediately after the rising of every session of Assembly.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act altering the place of holding the Supreme and County Courts in the county of Chittenden*, was returned from Council with amendments; and after being read, together with the amendments. *Ordered*,

Ordered, That the ſame be referred to the next ſeſſion of Aſſembly.

Reſolved, That the Auditor of public accounts be, and hereby is directed to credit all accounts between *Ira Allen*, Eſquire, and the State of Vermont, that remain unſettled, except ſaid *Allen*'s accounts as late Surveyorgeneral:—and that ſaid Auditor be directed to caſt intereſt both for and againſt the State—and if there ſhould be a balance due to the State, to report the ſame to the next ſeſſion of Aſſembly: and if there be a balance due to ſaid *Allen*, the Auditor is directed to draw an order on the Treaſurer of this State for ſuch balance due; and the Treaſurer is directed to pay the ſame in Statenotes to ſaid *Allen*.

Reſolved, That the Treaſurer be, and he hereby is directed to receive of *Joſeph Fay*, Eſquire, thirtythree pounds in public ſecurities of this State, in payment of the grantingfees of the townſhip of Huntſburgh: any Law or Reſolution to the contrary notwithſtanding.——Said *Fay* agrees, that no further diſcount or compenſation ſhall hereafter be requeſted on account of money lent the State.

Reſolved, That one Member from each county be directed to receive the debenture for the Members of their reſpective counties; and the Treaſurer is hereby directed to pay the debentures accordingly.——Members choſen—Mr. *Jonathan Robinſon*, Mr. *Lyman*, Mr. *B. Brown*, Mr. *Paine*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Thompſon*, and Mr. *Harrington*.

His Excellency and Council having joined the Aſſembly, his Excellency returned his thanks to the gentlemen, for their attention to the public buſineſs; and enjoined on them a ſtrict obſervance and attention to the laws of the State; that by their reſpectable examples, others might be induced to a ſimilar line of conduct.—When Mr. *Stone* made a prayer ſuited to the occaſion.

Reſolved, That all matters pending before this Aſſembly be, and the ſame hereby are referred to the next ſtated ſeſſion of this Legiſlature—and that this Aſſembly be, and the ſame hereby is adjourned without day.

Atteſt, LEWIS R. MORRIS, *Clerk*.